

Natural Environment Referral Response - Coastal

Application Number:	DA2019/0236
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Reasons for referral

This application seeks consent for land located within the Coastal Zone.

And as such, Council's Natural Environment Unit officers are required to consider the likely impacts on drainage regimes.

Officer comments

12 Development on land within the coastal vulnerability area

Development consent must not be granted to development on land that is within the area identified as "coastal vulnerability area" on the Coastal Vulnerability Area Map unless the consent authority is satisfied that:

- (a) if the proposed development comprises the erection of a building or works—the building or works are engineered to withstand current and projected coastal hazards for the design life of the building or works, and
- (b) the proposed development:
 - (i) is not likely to alter coastal processes to the detriment of the natural environment or other land, and
 - (ii) is not likely to reduce the public amenity, access to and use of any beach, foreshore, rock platform or headland adjacent to the proposed development, and
 - (iii) incorporates appropriate measures to manage risk to life and public safety from coastal hazards, and
- (c) measures are in place to ensure that there are appropriate responses to, and management of, anticipated coastal processes and current and future coastal hazards.

Comment:

The subject site has not been included on the Coastal Vulnerability Area Map under State Environmental Planning Policy (Coastal Management) 2018 (CM SEPP) and in regard to CM SEPP the proposed development is unlikely to cause increased risk of coastal hazards on the subject land or other land.

However, the subject site is shown affected by Coastline Bluf/Cliff Instability Hazard on Council's Coastal Risk Planning Map in Pittwater LEP 2014 and the relevant provisions of the Geotechnical Risk Management Policy for Pittwater and the B3.4 Coastline (Bluff) Hazard controls in P21 DCP will apply to new development of the site.

A Coastal Engineering Report by Horton Coastal Engineering Pty. Ltd. dated 20/02/2019 assessing coastline (bluff)/ coastal cliff or slope instability has been submitted with the DA application. Separately, a Geotechnical Assessment Report by JK Geotechnics dated 25/02/2019 assessing landslide hazard has also submitted detailing recommendations.

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As such, it is considered that the application does comply with the requirements of the State Environmental Planning Policy (Coastal Management) 2018 and relevant LEP and DCP.

Referral Body Recommendation

Recommended for approval, subject to conditions

Refusal comments

Recommended Natural Environment Conditions:

CONDITIONS TO BE SATISFIED PRIOR TO THE ISSUE OF THE CONSTRUCTION CERTIFICATE

Coastal Bluff Engineering Assessment Implementation

The advice and recommendations contained in the approved Coastal Engineering Assessment report prepared by Horton Coastal Engineering Pty. Ltd., dated 20 February 2019, must be addressed as necessary through the Geotechnical Risk Management Report prepared in support of the development application and must be incorporated as required into construction plans and structural specifications for the development.

Reason: To ensure potential hazards associated with development on a Coastal Bluff are minimised

Coastal Bluff Engineering Assessment Implementation

All development or activities must be designed and constructed such that they will not increase the level of risk from coastal processes for any people, assets or infrastructure in surrounding properties; they will not adversely affect coastal processes; they will not be adversely affected by coastal processes.

Reason: To ensure potential hazards associated with development on a Coastal Bluff are minimised

CONDITIONS THAT MUST BE ADDRESSED PRIOR TO ANY COMMENCEMENT

Geotechnical Hazards

The subject property is located within Potential Geotechnical Landslip Hazard area. Due to the works proposed, a geotechnical assessment is required prior to the commencement of works.

Reason: To ensure that the proposed works will not have any detrimental impacts within the potential geotechnical landslip hazard area or on environmentally sensitive areas.

CONDITIONS TO BE COMPLIED WITH DURING DEMOLITION AND BUILDING WORK

Geotechnical Issues

All conditions outlined in Geotechnical Assessment prepared by JK Geotechnics dated 25 February 2019 are to be complied with and adhered to throughout development.

Reason: To ensure excavation, lift pit, footings, etc. are undertaken in an appropriate manner and structurally sound.

CONDITIONS WHICH MUST BE COMPLIED WITH PRIOR TO THE ISSUE OF THE

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OCCUPATION CERTIFICATE

Geotechnical Issues

Following construction activities provide Council with a geotechnical report that has investigated the stability of the site and provided an assessment of any new landslip hazards prior to the issue of an occupation certificate.

Reason: To ensure works are undertaken in an appropriate manner.

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