

Natural Environment Referral Response - Biodiversity

Application Number:	DA2021/0237
Date:	19/04/2021
Responsible Officer	Adam Mitchell
Land to be developed (Address):	Lot 68 DP 16212 , 123 Rickard Road NORTH NARRABEEN NSW 2101

Reasons for referral

This application seeks consent development on land, or within 40m of land, containing:

- All Development Applications on
- Actual or potential threatened species, populations, ecological communities, or their habitats;
- Wildlife corridors;
- Vegetation query stipulating that a Flora and Fauna Assessment is required;
- Vegetation query - X type located in both A & C Wards;

And as such, Council's Natural Environment Unit officers are required to consider the likely potential environmental impacts.

Officer comments

Council's Biodiversity referrals team have assessed the Development Application for compliance against the following applicable biodiversity related provisions:

- Pittwater LEP cl. 7.6 Biodiversity Protection
- Pittwater 21 DCP cl. B4.4 Flora and Fauna Habitat Enhancement Category 2 and Wildlife Corridor
- Coastal Management SEPP 2018 cl. 13 Development on land within the coastal environment area

The Development Application is for alterations and additions to an existing dwelling, including a second storey addition, swimming pool, deck and associated landscaping.

In order to facilitate the development, one (1) *Jacaranda mimosifolia* will require pruning and one (1) *Araucaria cunninghamii* will require removal. Jacaranda is considered an exempt species and can be removed without obtaining Council consent. The removal of one (1) *Araucaria cunninghamii*, which is a prescribed tree, will be mitigated through the replacement with one (1) locally native canopy tree.

Subject to these conditions of consent, Council's Biodiversity referrals team are satisfied that the proposed development complies with the above listed biodiversity provisions.

The proposal is therefore supported.

Note: Should you have any concerns with the referral comments above, please discuss these with the

Responsible Officer.

Recommended Natural Environment Conditions:

CONDITIONS THAT MUST BE ADDRESSED PRIOR TO ANY COMMENCEMENT

Dead or Injured Wildlife

If construction activity associated with this development results in injury or death of a native mammal, bird, reptile or amphibian, a registered wildlife rescue and rehabilitation organisation must be contacted for advice.

Reason: To protect native wildlife.

Implementation of Landscape Plan

Landscaping is to be implemented in accordance with the approved Landscape Plan and these conditions of consent.

The new landscaping is to be certified by a qualified landscape architect as being in accordance with the approved Landscape Plans and these conditions of consent

Reason: To ensure compliance with the requirement to retain and protect significant planting on the site.

**CONDITIONS WHICH MUST BE COMPLIED WITH PRIOR TO THE ISSUE OF THE
OCCUPATION CERTIFICATE**

Replacement of Canopy Trees

At least 1 locally native canopy tree is to be planted on site to replace protected trees approved for removal. Species are to have a minimum mature height of 8.5m and be consistent with the Tree's section of Council's Native Plant Species Guide - Narrabeen Ward, which is available at <https://www.northernbeaches.nsw.gov.au/node/34931>.

Tree plantings are to be retained for the life of the development and/or for their safe natural life. Trees that die or are removed must be replaced with another locally native canopy tree.

Replacement plantings are to be certified as being completed in accordance with these conditions of consent by a qualified landscape architect, and details submitted to the Principal Certifying Authority prior to issue of any Occupation Certificate.

Reason: To establish appropriate native landscaping.

No Weeds Imported On To The Site

No Priority or environmental weeds (as specified on the NSW WeedWise website) are to be imported on to the site prior to or during construction works.

Details demonstrating compliance are to be submitted to the Principal Certifying Authority prior to issue of any Occupation Certificate.

Reason: To reduce the risk of site works contributing to spread of Priority and environmental weeds.

