

Natural Environment Referral Response - Biodiversity

Application Number:	DA2021/0133
Date:	11/03/2021
Responsible Officer	Thomas Prosser
Land to be developed (Address):	Lot 102 DP 605991 , 62 Hudson Parade CLAREVILLE NSW 2107

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 provisions:

- Pittwater LEP cl. 7.6 Biodiversity Protection
- Pittwater 21 DCP cl. B4.7 Pittwater Spotted Gum Forest - Endangered Ecological Community
- Coastal Management SEPP (2018) cl. 13 Development on land within the coastal environment area

The Statement of Environmental Effects submitted with the Development Application states that as all alterations and additions are to be confined within the footprint of the existing building and no branches overhang the roof of the house, the proposal will not impact on existing vegetation. As such, there will be no impacts to Pittwater Spotted Gum Forest EEC within the site.

The site analysis and landscape plan identifies that an additional four (4) trees will be planted within the site. All trees and at least 80% of any new planting must incorporate native vegetation as per species listed in Pittwater Spotted Gum Endangered Ecological Community in order to comply with P21DCP cl. B4.7.

Subject to these conditions of consent, Council's biodiversity referrals team are satisfied that the proposed development complies with the above listed 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 TO BE SATISFIED PRIOR TO THE ISSUE OF THE CONSTRUCTION
CERTIFICATE**

No Clearing of Vegetation

Unless otherwise exempt, no vegetation is to be cleared prior to issue of a Construction Certificate.

Details demonstrating compliance are to be submitted to the Certifying Authority prior to issue of Construction Certificate.

Reason: To protect native vegetation.

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.

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

New Vegetation Planting

Landscaping is to incorporate a minimum 80% locally native vegetation species as a proportion of the total number of plants. Locally native species are to be consistent with the species listed in Pittwater Spotted Gum Endangered Ecological Community).

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

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

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.