

## Natural Environment Referral Response - Biodiversity

<b>Application Number:</b>	DA2019/1131
<b>Responsible Officer</b>	Kye Miles
<b>Land to be developed (Address):</b>	Lot 58 DP 221359 , 57 Nandi Avenue FRENCHS FOREST NSW 2086

### 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 Natural Environment - Biodiversity section raises no objections, subject to conditions, including replacement canopy tree planting.

This application was assessed against Warringah DCP E2 Prescribed vegetation and E6 Retaining unique environmental features.

The proposal is for the alterations and additions to the existing dwelling, including an extension and new deck.

The submitted Arboricultural Impact Assessment report (Urban Forestry Australia, September 2019) assesses 7 trees, 4 within the property and 3 on adjoining land. One prescribed tree, T5 *Eucalyptus robusta* is recommended for removal due to observations of a fungal disease which causes decay of the heartwood and will become increasingly at risk of failure over time.

### Referral Body Recommendation

Recommended for approval, subject to conditions

### Recommended Natural Environment Conditions:

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

### Replacement of Canopy Trees

At least 2 locally native canopy trees are to be planted on site to replace prescribed trees approved for removal. Species are to have a minimum mature height of 8.5m and be consistent with Council's Native

Gardening Guide. 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 landscaping in accordance with relevant Natural Environment LEP/DCP controls

## **ON-GOING CONDITIONS THAT MUST BE COMPLIED WITH AT ALL TIMES**

### **Replacement of Canopy Trees**

Tree replacement plantings required under this consent 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.

Reason: To replace locally native trees in accordance with relevant Natural Environment LEP/DCP controls.

### **No Planting Environmental Weeds**

No environmental weeds are to be planted on the site. Information on weeds of the Northern Beaches can be found at the NSW WeedWise website (<http://weeds.dpi.nsw.gov.au/>).

Reason: Weed management.

### **Domestic Animals Exclusion**

For the life of the development, cats are to be kept in a cat run and/or inside the dwelling such that they are prevented from entering wildlife habitat areas at all times. Dogs are to be kept in an enclosed area such that they cannot enter areas of bushland, unrestrained, on surrounding properties.

Reason: Wildlife protection