

# STATEMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL EFFECTS

### DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION FOR ALTERATIONS AND ADDITIONS AT 39 ROBERT STREET, FRESHWATER NSW 2096



**AERIAL VIEW** 

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### **01** Property Description

The subject property legally identified as Lot 1 within DP 623176 and is known as 39 Robert Street, Freshwater. The site is zoned R2 Low Density Residential pursuant to Warringah Local Environmental Plan 2011. The site is not identified as containing any items of environmental heritage however the site has been identified as being within both Area's A and B of the landslip risk map. Other than this the subject site has not been identified as containing any other hazards.

### 02 Site Description

The site is legally identified as Lot 1 within DP 623176 and is known as 39 Robert Street, Freshwater. The site is located opposite Hubert Street with vehicular access from the Eastern side of Robert Street. The site has an area of 937.4m² and is an irregular octagon with a street frontage (front boundary) of 15.24 meters to Robert Street. The northern boundary (rear boundary) has a length of 12.19 meters, the western boundary (side boundary) has a total length of 66.61 meters and the eastern boundary (side boundary) also has a total length of 66.61 meters.

The site slopes from south to north.



Fig 1: Subject site outlined in red (Google maps 2019).

The property currently accommodates a three storey dwelling with a single car brick garage. The existing house is constructed in brick veneer & weatherboard and has a tiled roof.

Other site works include a concrete driveway, a paved front porch, and a deck entertaining area in the rear yard.



Fig 2: 39 Robert Street – from Hubert Street. (Google maps 2019



Fig 3: View of the dwelling from the Southern (front/street) side. (Action Plans 2018).



Fig 4: Northern View (rear) of the dwelling. (Action Plans 2018).

## 03 Adjoining Property

The surrounding area predominantly consists of single or two storeys residential dwellings. The adjoining property to the west, 41 Robert Street, is a two storey brick residence with a tiled roof and vehicular access from the Western side Robert Street. To the east, 37 Robert Street, is a single and double storey rendered and clad residence with a metal roof and vehicular access from the Eastern side of Robert Street.



Fig 5: No. 41 Robert Street as seen from Robert Street. (Google maps 2019)



Fig 6: No. 35, and 37 Robert Street as seen from Robert Street. (Google maps 2019).

### 04 Description of proposed Works

The proposal seeks consent for alterations and additions to the existing dwelling at 39 Robert Street.

The proposed works include:

#### **Lower Ground Floor:**

- Demolition of the walls that divide the rumpus room.
- Removal of the existing doors and windows that connect to the veranda from the rumpus room.
- New under deck storage.
- New 'wet bar'.
- Louvre blade window on eastern elevation.
- Extension of the eastern elevation north in order to square of the rear of the residence.
- New 'green space'
- New entry from veranda, kitchen, living, and dining space.

#### **Ground Floor:**

- Removal of a section of the veranda on the internal bend.
- Re-construction of the existing 45° walls and addition of a door and window into each.
- Removal of the windows adjacent to the staircase.
- New internal walls in 45° section to enclose a study.

#### **First Floor:**

- Re-Configuration of the internal layout deviding the space into 2 rooms and an ensuite.
- Removal of the windows from 'bed 5' and the 'ensuite'.
- Addition of a new window to the ensuite.



Fig 7: Proposed works at No. 39 Robert Street shown in orange. (Action Plans 2019).

# 05 Area and Compliance Summary

Site Information and Building Controls	Control	Existing	Proposed
Zoning	Zone R2	Zone R2	Unchanged
Site area	450m²	937.4m²	Unchanged
Number of stories	N/A	Three storey	Unchanged
Front Building Setback (South)	6.5m	0.26m	Unchanged
Rear Building Setback (North)	6.0m	24.69m	Unchanged
Min. side boundary setback (East)	0.9m	0.98m	Unchanged
Min. side boundary setback (West)	0.9m	0.0m	Unchanged
Landscaping Open Space:	40% (374.96m²)	51.6% (484.06m²)	44.2% (415.19m²)
Private Open Space	60m²	218.77m <sup>2</sup>	Unchanged

# 06 Planning Assessment

#### STATUTORY PROVISIONS

#### Warringah Environmental Plan (WLEP) 2011

#### **Permissibility**

The site is zoned R2 Low Density Residential pursuant to the land use table of The Warringah Local Environmental Plan 2011. The proposed works being alterations and additions to the existing dwelling are permissible with development consent.

The proposal satisfies the objectives of R2 Low Density Residential as the proposal for alterations and additions to a single dwelling which maintains the low density residential environment and does not adversely affect adjoining properties, the landscape setting of the existing dwelling or the streetscape.

#### 6.1 Principal Development Standards

#### 6.1.1. Height of Buildings (WLEP Clause 4.3)

Pursuant to Clause 4.3 the maximum height requirement is 8.5 metres. The proposal does not alter the height of the existing building, which is compliant with the development standard.

#### Response to the objectives of this clause:

The proposal is an appropriate form of development, which is compatible with the height and scale of the surrounding development. The proposal does not result in any significant visual impacts upon adjoining neighbouring properties and does not adversely affect visual privacy of adjoining properties. The proposal is consistent with the objectives of Clause 4.3 of the Warringah LEP 2011.

#### 6.2. Additional Local Provisions

#### 6.2.1 Acid Sulphate Soils (LEP Clause 6.1)

The site is not identified as having acid sulphate soils on the Acid Sulphate Soils map.

#### 6.2.2 Earthworks (LEP Clause 6.2)

The proposal does not require extensive earthworks.

#### 6.2.3 Flood Planning (LEP Clause 6.3)

Not applicable.

#### 6.2.4. Development on Sloping Land (LEP Clause 6.4)

The subject site is identified as being within both Area A – Slopes less than 5° Landslide Risk and Area B – Flanking slopes between 5 and 25°. As such a preliminary Geotechnical report has been prepared as part of this application.

#### 6.2.5 Coastline Hazards (LEP Clause 6.5)

Not applicable.

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### RESPONSE TO THE WARRINGAH DCP 2011

#### 7.1 Compliance table

Existing Site Area = 937m <sup>2</sup>			
DCP COMPLIANCE TABLE SECTION A - Part 4 Dwelling houses			
Development control	Proposed	Complies	
Part B – Built Form Controls			
Walls are not to exceed 7.2 meters from ground level (existing) to the underside of the ceiling on the uppermost floor of the building (excluding habitable	All proposed walls in this development are consistent with the numerical control of this clause and maintain a height less than 7.2m.	Yes	
B2 – Number of Storeys	Not identified on map.	Not applicable.	
B3 - Side Boundary Envelope  Buildings must be sited within a building envelope determined by projecting planes at 45 degrees from a height above ground level (existing) at the side boundaries of 5 metres as identified on the map.	the permissible site boundary	Yes	
B4 - Site Coverage	Not applicable.	Not applicable.	

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B5 - Side Boundary Setbacks	East= 0.98m	Yes
Minimum 0.9 metres		The setback along the Eastern side boundary is unchanged
		with this proposal.
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	West= 0.00m to the existing garage structure	No
		Although there is an existing western side boundary non-
		compliance created by an
		existing garage structure all of
		the proposed elements of the
		development are compliant with the minimum side boundry
		setback of 0.9m
B6 – Merit assessment of Side Boundary	Not applicable.	Not applicable.
Setbacks		
B7 –Front Boundary Setback	0.26m to existing garage	No
Minimum 6.5 metres	structure	Although there is an existing
	13.34m to existing house	western side boundary non- compliance created by an
	Total III to oxioting nedec	existing garage structure all of
	17.56m to first proposed	the proposed elements of the
	element (First floor window infill)	development are compliant.
B8 – Merit assessment of front boundary	Not applicable.	Not applicable.
setbacks		
B9 - Rear Boundary Setbacks	24.69m	Yes
Minimum 6.0 metres		All proposed works are located
		behind the rear setback.
B10 – Merit Assessment of Rear Setbacks	Not applicable.	Not applicable.
B11 – Foreshore Building Setback	Not applicable.	Not applicable.
B12 – National Parks Setback	Not applicable.	Not applicable.
B13 – Coastal Cliffs Setback	Not applicable.	Not applicable.
B14 – Main Roads Setback	Not applicable.	Not applicable.
Part C – Siting Factors	I	
C2 - Traffic, Access and Safety	Not applicable	Not applicable
Vehicular crossing to be provided in accordance with Council's Vehicle Crossing Policy.		
Vehicle crossing construction and design is to be in		
accordance with Council's Minor works		
specification.		
C3 – Parking Facilities	There are no proposed changes	Not applicable
Garage doors and carports are to be integrated into	to this existing parking	
the house design and to not dominate the façade.	arrangement found on site as a	
Parking is to be located within buildings or on site.	result of this proposal.	
Parking is to be located so that views of the street from front windows are not obscured; and		
where garages and carports face the street, the		
garage or carport opening must not exceed 6		
metres or 50% of the building width, whichever is		
the lesser.		
C4 – Stormwater		Yes
	the proposal to drain to the	
Stormwater Drainage Design Guidelines for Minor Developments & Minor Works Specification.	existing drainage system.	
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C5 -	- Erosion and Sedimentation	Soil and Water Management required.	Yes A Soil Erosion Management Plan has been prepared and is included in the submission to Council.
C6 -	Building over or adjacent to Constructed Council Drainage Easements The objective of this policy I to ensure efficient construction, replacement, maintenance or access for emergency purposes to constructed public drainage systems located within private property.	Not applicable	Yes
C7 -	Excavation and Landfill Land excavation or fill work should not have an adverse effect upon the visual and natural environment or adjoining and adjacent properties, or create airborne pollution. The integrity of the physical environment should be preserved, as well as the visual and scenic quality.	The proposal does not require extensive earthworks. Minimum excavation is required to allow for the frame of the proposed timber deck on the northern side of the building.	Yes
C8 -	- <b>Demolition and Construction</b> Waste management plan required.	Refer to the Site/Sediment Erosion, Waste management and materials handling Plan DA02.	Yes
C9 -	- Waste Management Waste storage area to be provided.	Refer to the Site/Sediment Erosion, Waste management and materials handling Plan DA02.	Yes

Part D – Design			
Min 40% Landscaped Area to be maintained.	The existing landscaped open space measures 51.6% (484.066m²). The proposal decreases this by 7.4% and measures 44.2% (415.19m²).	Yes	
Dwelling houses with 3 or more bedrooms	The proposal maintains the existing amount of Private Open Space Area of 218.77m <sup>2</sup>	Yes	
	Mechanical noise is to be attenuated to maintain adjoin unit amenity. Compliance with NSW Industrial Noise Policy Requirements	Not applicable.	
D4 – Electromagnetic Radiation	Not applicable.	Not applicable.	
D5 – Orientation and Energy Efficiency  Dwellings to be orientated to receive northern sun.  Appropriate construction to enhance thermal properties and ventilation/natural cooling	The proposal does not change the existing configuration of living areas, which is already perfectly orientated to enhance	Yes A BASIX certificate has been completed and should eb read in conjunction with this application.	
The controls require that sunlight to at least 50% of the private open space of both the subject and	any additional over shadowing. Refer to Shadow Diagrams included in DA package.	Yes Shadow diagrams have been prepared which depict the existing and proposed shadowing.	
	The proposal does not result in loss of views for any of the adjoining neighbouring buildings.	Yes	
This clause specifies that development is not to cause unreasonable overlooking of habitable rooms and principle private open space of adjoining properties.	overlook on the private open	Yes	
and architectural scale that is consistent with structures on nearby properties & not to visually dominate the street.	The additions are well articulated, maintain the existing setbacks to the adjoining property boundaries and do not result in any unreasonable bulk or scale.	Yes	
External finishes and colours sympathetic to the	External finishes selected to be compatible with the existing dwelling.	Yes	

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	of the existing buildings in the streetscape. Roofing materials should not cause excessive glare and reflection.	proposed development is of an appropriate form & scale to that of the existing building.	Yes
D12 -	- Glare and Reflection Glare impacts from artificial illumination minimised. Reflective building materials to be minimized.	The proposal will not result in unreasonable glare or reflection.	Yes
D13 -	Front Fences and Front Walls Fences located within the street setback area are to be compatible with the existing streetscape character.	No new fences or front walls included in the proposal.	Yes
D14 -	- Site Facilities Site facilities including garbage and recycling enclosures, mail boxes and clothes drying facilities are to be adequate and convenient for users and services and are to have minimal visual impact from public places	Garbage storage areas and other facilities maintained.	Yes
D15 -	- Side and Rear Fences Side and rear fences to be maximum 1.8m and have regard for Dividing Fences Act 1991.	Existing side fences compliant and will be retained as they are.	Yes
D16 -	- Swimming Pools and Spa Pools Pools are not to be located in the front building setback.	No swimming pools and spa pools included in the proposal.	Yes
D17 -	- Tennis Courts	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
D18 -	- Accessibility Safe and secure access for persons with a disability to be Provided where required.	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
D19 -	- Site Consolidation in the R3 and IN1 Zone	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
D20 -	- Safety and Security Buildings to enhance the security of the community. Buildings are to provide for casual surveillance of the street	The dwelling will maintain a good outlook of dwelling approach and street.	Yes
D21 -	- Provision and Location of Utility Services The location of utility services should take account of and minimise any impact on natural features such as bushland and natural watercourses.	Existing facilities on site.	Yes
D22 -	- Conservation of Energy and Water	The proposal makes the best use of natural ventilation, daylight and solar energy.	Yes
D23 -	- Signs Building identification signage to be appropriate for proposed use and not to impact on amenity of surrounding locality. Signs not to obscure views or potentially hazardous road features or traffic control devices.		Not Applicable

Part E – The Natural Environment			
E1 – Private Property Tree Management Arboricultural report to be provided to support development where impacts to trees are presented.	Proposal does not require the removal of any significant vegetation	Not applicable	
E2 – Prescribed Vegetation	Not identified on map	Not applicable	
E3 – Threatened species, populations, ecological communities	Not identified on map	Not applicable	
E4 – Wildlife Corridors	Not identified on map	Not applicable	
E5 – Native Vegetation	Not identified on map	Not applicable	
E6 - Retaining unique environmental features Unique or distinctive features within a site to be retained.		Not applicable	
E7 – Development on land adjoining public open space	Not identified on map	Not applicable	
E8 – Waterways and Riparian Lands	Not identified on map	Not applicable	
E9 – Coastline Hazard	Not identified on map	Not applicable	
E10 – Landslip Risk  Identified on map as Area A & Area B Area A - Slopes less than 5 degrees. Area B - Slopes less than 5 to 25 degrees.	Due to the minimal amount of excavation required for the proposal, A Geotechnical report is not required.	Yes	
E11 – Flood Prone Land	Not identified on map	Not applicable	

### 08 EP & A ACT - SECTION 79C

#### The Provisions of any Environmental Planning Instruments

The proposal is subject to the provisions of the Warringah Local Environmental Plan 2011. The site is zoned R2 Low Density Residential under the provisions of the LEP.

Construction of alterations/additions to the existing dwelling house is permissible with the consent of Council in this zone. It is considered that the provisions of this document have been satisfactorily addressed within this report and that the proposal complies with the relevant provisions.

There are no other environmental planning instruments applying to the site.

#### The Likely Impacts of the Development

It is considered that the development will provide for alterations/additions to an existing dwelling without any detrimental impact on the environment, social and economic status of the locality.

#### The Suitability of the Site for the Development

The subject site is zoned R2 Low Density Residential and the construction of alterations/additions to an existing dwelling house in this zone is permissible with the consent of Council. The resultant dwelling is of a bulk and scale that is consistent with the existing surrounding development. For these reasons it is considered that the site is suitable for the proposed development.

#### The Public Interest

It is considered that the proposal is in the public interest in that it will provide for alterations/additions to an existing dwelling that is consistent with other development in this locality without impacting the amenity of the adjoining properties or the public domain.

### 09 CONCLUSION

Following a review of the relevant planning controls, it is concluded that the proposed development is consistent with the objectives, planning strategies and detailed controls of these planning documents with the exception of those discussed in detail previously in this statement. Consideration has been given to the potential environmental and amenity impacts that are relevant to the proposed development and this report addresses these impacts. Having regard to the benefits of the proposal and taking into account the absence of adverse environmental, social, economic, or heritage related impacts, the application is submitted to The Warringah Council for assessment and granting of development consent.