

Natural Environment Referral Response - Flood

Application Number:	DA2022/1673
Proposed Development:	Construction of a swimming pool
Date:	15/03/2023
To:	Megan Surtees
Land to be developed (Address):	Lot 19 DP 21687 , 47 Elaine Avenue AVALON BEACH NSW 2107

Reasons for referral

This application seeks consent for the following:

- All Development Applications on land below the 1 in100 year flood level;
- All Development Applications located on land below the Probable Maximum Flood levels.

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

Officer comments

The proposed DA generally complies with the flood controls in the LEP and DCP.

The proposed pool is located in a high flood risk precinct.

The existing ground level at the proposed pool location is 2.6 m AHD. The proposed pool is inground with the coping set at 2.76 m AHD. An existing sewer line runs under the proposed pool.

The pool fence must be of an open design to allow the flow of flood water.

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

Flooding

In order to protect property and occupants from flood risk the following is required:

Flood Effects Caused by Development – A2

There is to be no filling of the land or any other reduction of the available flood storage which results in a net loss of storage below the 1% AEP flood level of 3.61m AHD.

Building Components and Structural Soundness – B1

All new development below the Flood Planning Level of shall be designed and constructed as flood compatible buildings in accordance with Reducing Vulnerability of Buildings to Flood Damage: Guidance on Building in Flood Prone Areas, Hawkesbury-Nepean Floodplain Management Steering Committee (2006).

Building Components and Structural Soundness – B2

All new development must be designed to ensure structural integrity up to the Flood Planning Level (4.11m AHD), taking into account the forces of floodwater, wave action, flowing water with debris, buoyancy and immersion.

Building Components and Structural Soundness – B3

All new electrical equipment, power points, wiring, fuel lines, sewerage systems or any other service pipes and connections must be waterproofed and/or located above the Flood Planning Level. All existing electrical equipment and power points located below the Flood Planning Level must have residual current devices installed to cut electricity supply during flood events.

Fencing – F1

New fencing (including pool fencing, boundary fencing, balcony balustrades and accessway balustrades) shall be open to allow for the unimpeded movement of flood waters. It must be designed with a minimum of 50% open area from the natural ground level up to the 1% AEP flood level. Openings should be a minimum of 75mm x 75mm.

Storage of Goods – G1

Storage areas for hazardous or potentially polluting materials shall not be located below the Flood Planning Level unless adequately protected from floodwaters in accordance with industry standards.

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

Reason: To reduce the impact of flooding and flood liability on owners and occupiers of flood-prone property and reduce public and private losses in accordance with Council and NSW Government policy.

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

Demonstrate compliance with Flood Management Report

A suitably qualified expert is to certify compliance with the following recommendations in the Flood Compliance Certificate prepared by Gilcon dated 27 Jan 2022:

Fencing – F1

New fencing (including pool fencing, boundary fencing, balcony balustrades and accessway balustrades) shall be open to allow for the unimpeded movement of flood waters. It must be designed with a minimum of 50% open area from the natural ground level up to the 1% AEP flood level. Openings should be a minimum of 75mm x 75mm.

Details demonstrating compliance are to be submitted to the Principal Certifier for approval.

Reason: To reduce the impact of flooding and flood liability on owners and occupiers of flood-prone property and reduce public and private losses in accordance with Council and NSW Government policy.