

Natural Environment Referral Response - Biodiversity

Application Number:	DA2018/1761
Responsible Officer	Renee Ezzy
Land to be developed (Address):	Lot CP SP 30021 , 24 Aitken Avenue QUEENSCLIFF NSW 2096

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

The proposal has been assessed against Warringah DCP E4. An Indicative Planting list is provided. Cupaniopsis (Tuckeroo) are on Councils exempt list and the planting of this species is not supported. A condition will be imposed to replace these with locally native species. Biodiversity raises no further issues with the proposal.

Referral Body Recommendation

Recommended for approval, subject to conditions

Recommended Natural Environment Conditions:

CONDITIONS TO BE SATISFIED PRIOR TO THE ISSUE OF THE CONSTRUCTION CERTIFICATE

Amendment of Landscape Plans

The submitted Landscape Plan is to be amended to delete the Cupaniopsis (Tuckeroo) and replace these with locally native canopy trees of minimum mature height of 8m. The amended Landscape Plan is to be certified by a qualified landscape architect, arborist or ecologist prior to the issue of the Construction Certificate.

Reason: To ensure landscaping is consistent with relevant Natural Environment LEP/DCP controls. (DACNECPCC2)

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

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.

Works to cease if item found

If any Aboriginal Engravings or Relics are unearthed all work is to cease immediately and the Aboriginal Heritage Office (AHO) and Office of Environment and Heritage (OEH) are to be notified.

Reason: To protect Aboriginal Heritage.

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 mitigate potential impacts to native wildlife resulting from construction activity.