

# Natural Environment Referral Response - Biodiversity

Application Number:	DA2022/0020
Date:	15/02/2022
Responsible Officer	Miller French-Lightfoot
I and to be developed (Address):	Lot 1 DP 1109097 28 Cliff Street MANLY NSW 2095

#### 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

Based on the submitted Plans, Arborist Report and Statement of Environmental Effects, the proposed lift will occupy less than 3 m2 of existing landscaped area, and no trees within the site or adjoining areas will require removal. The plans indicate a larger 'disturbance' area that is assumed will be impacted during construction works. The subject site is located within land identified in Schedule 1 -Map D, therefore clause 5.4.2 Threatened Species and Critical Habitat Lands of Manly DCP applies.

Based on the potential impacts of the proposal (impact to a relatively small area of potential habitat), it is considered unlikely to result in an adverse effect on the life cycle of the local population of long-nosed bandicoots, lead to an increase in fragmentation of habitat, or to increase the operation of a key threatening process.

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** 

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### 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

### Impacts to Protected Native Wildlife

Habitat for native wildlife including Long-nosed bandicoots is to be inspected for native wildlife prior to removal. If native wildlife is found within habitat to be removed, a registered wildlife rescue and rehabilitation organisation must be contacted for advice.

Any incidents in which native wildlife are injured or killed as a result of works are to be recorded, in addition to details of any action taken in response.

Written evidence of compliance (including records of inspections and any wildlife incidents) is to be provided to the Principal Certifying Authority.

Reason: To protect native wildlife.

### **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. Any injured or dead Long-nosed Bandicoots found within the worksite must be reported to the National Parks & Wildlife Service (9457 9577) or Northern Beaches Council (1300 434 434)

Reason: To protect native wildlife.

### CONDITIONS TO BE COMPLIED WITH DURING DEMOLITION AND BUILDING WORK

#### Daily Inspections Required - Bandicoot Habitat

An inspection register log-book must be kept on site recording daily inspections of all holes, machinery and construction material stockpiles, checking for Long-nosed Bandicoots. Inspections are to be undertaken each work day prior to commencement of works and works may only proceed once any bandicoot has safely vacated any holes, machinery or stockpiles. The log-book is to be made available to Principal Certifying Authority.

Reason: To avoid injury or death of Long-nosed Bandicoots which may be utilising stockpiles of vegetation, materials or debris.

## **Protect Grassed Foraging Areas – Bandicoot Habitat**

There is to be no off-loading or storage of construction materials or debris on the grassed lawn or grassed road verge adjacent to the property. The integrity of the grass must be preserved at all times.

Reason: To prevent direct physical injury to Long-nosed Bandicoots and allow for foraging activity. This area is likely to be used by bandicoots for foraging.

### CONDITIONS WHICH MUST BE COMPLIED WITH PRIOR TO THE ISSUE OF THE

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### **OCCUPATION CERTIFICATE**

#### **Protection of Habitat Features**

All natural landscape features, including any rock outcrops, native vegetation and/or watercourses, are to remain undisturbed except where affected by necessary works detailed on approved plans.

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

Reason: To protect wildlife habitat.

### No Weeds Imported On To The Site

No Priority or environmental weeds (as specified in the Northern Beaches Local Weed Management Plan 2019 – 2023) 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.

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

#### **Protection of Habitat Features**

All natural landscape features, including any rock outcrops, native vegetation, soil and garden beds, are to remain undisturbed except where affected by necessary works detailed on approved plans.

Reason: To protect wildlife habitat.

#### **Control of Domestic Dogs/Cats**

Domestic dogs and cats are to be kept from entering wildlife habitat areas at all times.

Dogs and cats are to be kept in an enclosed area and/or inside the dwelling, or on a leash such that they cannot enter areas of wildlife habitat, bushland or foreshore unrestrained, on the site or on surrounding properties or reserves.

Reason: To protect native wildlife in accordance.

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