**Sent:** 5/09/2022 3:23:09 PM

Subject: DA2022/1303 - 112 Iluka Road PALM BEACH

Attn: Phil Lane

Dear Phil,

**Development Application No. DA2022/1303** 

Description: Alterations and additions to a dwelling house including a swimming pool

Address: 112 Iluka Road PALM BEACH

No sites are recorded in the current development area and the area of works has been subject to previous disturbance reducing the likelihood of surviving unrecorded Aboriginal sites.

Whilst the area of works does not contain Aboriginal sites or Aboriginal heritage sensitivity other portions of the DA area do. According to the Due Diligence Code of Practice, any land within 200m of water is considered to have Aboriginal heritage sensitivity and the potential to contain Aboriginal sites. Given the presence of these landscape features in the proposal area there is potential that the works may harm unrecorded Aboriginal sites which are protected under the NPW Act 1974.

Inadvertent impacts is considered harm under the NPW Act (1974). During construction all workers and contractors should be made aware of their obligations to avoid harm to Aboriginal sites and areas of Aboriginal sensitivity. Under the *National Parks and Wildlife Act 1974* (NPW Act) all Aboriginal objects are protected. Should anything thought to be Aboriginal Cultural Heritage items be uncovered during earthworks, works should cease in the area and the Aboriginal Heritage Office be contacted. In line with our normal advice for sandy areas, the Aboriginal Heritage Office recommends that the development conditions should provide for stop work provisions (unexpected discovery protocol) in the unlikely event that human remains are uncovered. Should human remains be uncovered, works must cease and the NSW Police must be contacted.



Kind regards,
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I acknowledge and pay my respects to the traditional owners and ancestors of the lands in which the AHO work across.