

NORTH SYDNEY LOCAL PLANNING PANEL

DETERMINATIONS OF THE NORTH SYDNEY LOCAL PLANNING PANEL MEETING HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, NORTH SYDNEY, ON WEDNESDAY 15 APRIL 2020, AT 2.00PM.

PRESENT

Chair:

Jan Murrell

Panel Members:

John McInerney - Panel Member Annelise Tuor - Panel Member Kenneth Robinson - Community Representative

Staff:

Stephen Beattie, Manager Development Services David Hoy, Team Leader Assessments Robyn Pearson, Team Leader Assessments Robin Tse, Senior Assessment Officer

Administrative Support

Peita Rose, Governance Officer (Minutes)

Apologies: Nil.

1. Minutes of Previous Meeting

The Minutes of the NSLPP Meeting of 4 March 2020 were confirmed following that meeting.

2. Declarations of Interest

Nil

3. Business Items

The North Sydney Local Planning Panel is a NSW Government mandated Local Planning Panel exercising the functions of North Sydney Council, as the Consent Authority, under Section 4.8(2) of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act, 1979 as amended, and acts pursuant to a Direction of the Minister for Planning issued under Section 9.1 of the Act, dated 23 February 2018.

The meeting minutes relate to the meeting agenda for the meeting of 1 April 2020 which was deferred by two weeks due to the COVID Virus Global Pandemic and the need to conduct Panel meetings remotely.

The meeting of 15 April 2020 was convened and run using third party proprietary video software Zoom. Meeting participants were notified prior to the meeting date and were provided access to the meeting prior to the scheduled meeting time. The meeting agenda was available prior to the meeting through North Sydney Council's website.

Panel Members were instructed and have inspected sites independently and have had access to Council's electronic file, including details of all written submissions, plans, site photographs and supporting documentation. This meeting was recorded for the purposes of preparing minutes in accordance with the NSW Panel Secretariat's Panel Operating Guidelines.

The Panel has considered the following Business Items and resolves to determine each matter as described within these minutes.

ITEM 1

DA No:	DA 28/20
ADDRESS:	1 Blue Street, North Sydney
PROPOSAL:	Alterations and additions to the Shore School House
REPORT BY NAME:	Luke Donovan, Senior Assessment Officer
REASON FOR NSLPP	The application is reported to the Panel for determination because
REFERRAL:	the works, whilst a majority of which are internal to the building,
	are located more than 10% above the maximum building height.
APPLICANT:	Church of England Grammar School (Shore)

Public Submissions

No persons elected to speak on this item. One additional written submission received and read.

Panel Determination

The Panel considered the applicant's Clause 4.6 written request to contravene the maximum Building Height development standard within Clause 4.3 of North Sydney Local Environmental Plan 2013 and formed the view the applicant's written request satisfactorily addressed required matters within Clause 4.6(3) of the LEP. The Panel was satisfied the proposal was consistent with the zone objectives and the objectives of the development standard, notwithstanding the non-compliance, and granting consent was in the public interest.

The Report and Recommendation is endorsed by the Panel subject to deletion of Condition C6 and the following additional condition:

Heritage Documentation

G5. That copies of the Final Heritage Assessment of the School House, by NBRS Architecture Heritage, must be submitted to Council prior to the Issue of the Occupation Certificate.

The Conservation Management Plan, also by NBRS Architecture Heritage, dated June 2019 relating to the Shore North Sydney Campus, William Street, North Sydney should also be provided to Council at this time.

(Reason: To ensure the records of the site held by Stanton Library which reflect the approved work is appropriately updated)

Panel Reason:

The Panel has the benefit of the written submission and for the reasons in the officer's report is satisfied the development warrants approval.

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Voting was as follows:

Unanimous

Panel Member	Yes	No	Community Representative	Yes	No
Jan Murrell	X		Kenneth Robinson	X	
John McInerney	X				
Annelise Tuor	X				

ITEM 2

DA No:	DA 363/19
ADDRESS:	28 Fitzroy Street, Kirribilli
PROPOSAL:	Additions and alterations to a terrace dwelling including a three-level rear extension.
REPORT BY NAME:	Lisa Kamali, Senior Assessment Officer
REASON FOR NSLPP REFERRAL:	The application is reported to the Panel for determination because the proposed development involves building elements at the upper floor level that are above the permissible height limit of 8.5m, pursuant to Clause 4.3(2) in NSLEP 2013. The non-compliance with the permitted height limit is greater than 10%.
APPLICANT:	Carl Redfern, Redfern Lynch Architects

Public Submissions

The owner addressed the Panel on this item.

Panel Determination

The Report and Recommendation is endorsed by the Panel.

The Panel considered the applicant's Clause 4.6 written request to contravene the maximum Building Height development standard within Clause 4.3 of North Sydney Local Environmental Plan 2013 and formed the view the applicant's written request satisfactorily addressed required matters within Clause 4.6(3) of the LEP. The Panel was satisfied the proposal was consistent with the zone objectives and the objectives of the development standard, notwithstanding the non-compliance, and granting consent was in the public interest.

Panel Reasons:

The Panel has the benefit of a site inspection and the written submission received, and adopts the reasons set out in the Officer's report.

Voting was as follows:

Panel Member	Yes	No	Community Representative	Yes	No
Jan Murrell	X		Kenneth Robinson	X	
John McInerney	X				
Annelise Tuor	X				

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ITEM 3

DA No:	DA 333/19			
ADDRESS:	182 Kurraba Road, Kurraba Point			
PROPOSAL:	Alterations and additions to convert duplex into a residential flat building. Strata Subdivision.			
REPORT BY NAME:	Geoff Mossemenear, Executive Planner			
REASON FOR NSLPP	The application is reported to the Panel for determination because th			
REFERRAL:	SEPP 65 is applicable to the proposal.			
APPLICANT:	Daniel Younan & Associates Pty Ltd			

Public Submissions

Submitter	Applicant/Representative
Davide Foti	David Rahme - (Datlas Rahme Group – represent applicant/owner)
Paul & Atanee Lakatos	

Panel Determination

The Panel carefully considered both the written and oral submissions, and subject to conditions, has determined the application is satisfactory. The written submissions includes the four further submissions received.

The Panel considered the applicant's Clause 4.6 written request to contravene the maximum Building Height development standard within Clause 4.3 of North Sydney Local Environmental Plan 2013 and formed the view the applicant's written request satisfactorily addressed required matters within Clause 4.6(3) of the LEP. The Panel was satisfied the proposal was consistent with the zone objectives and the objectives of the development standard, notwithstanding the non-compliance, and granting consent was in the public interest.

The Report and Recommendation is endorsed by the Panel subject to amendment to condition C18 to read as follows:

Privacy

C18. The following privacy devices are to be provided:

Privacy Measures	Window/Location details
Ensuite Windows –	W21; W38; W56
obscure or frosted glazing to whole window.	
Doors/full height windows –	W57; W58; W63; W64
Obscure or frosted glazing to lower part to a minimum height of 1500mm	
above the finished floor level.	
Windows -	W22; W23; W39; W40; W61;
Bottom half of window to be obscure or frosted glazing or external fixed	W62
louvres directed to block overlooking of neighbour's windows.	
Fixed Privacy Louvres – Balconies	Balconies on the northeast
Fixed louvres are to be provided to the northern edges of balconies at the	corner on:
nominated locations. The required louvres are to be fixed at 45 degrees to	Lower ground floor (upper)
prevent overlooking to neighbour, with a minimum blade width of 30mm and	Ground floor
finished to a minimum height of 1.6m above finished floor level.	Level 1
	Level 2

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Note: The window numbers are identified on drawing numbered DA_200_01 Revision 04 dated 15 January 2020

Plans and specifications complying with this condition must be submitted to the Certifying Authority for approval prior to the issue of any Construction Certificate. The Certifying Authority must ensure that the building plans and specifications submitted, referenced on and accompanying the issued Construction Certificate, fully satisfy the requirements of this condition.

(Reason: To ensure an adequate level of privacy is provided to adjoining properties

located at Nos. 176 and 178 Kurraba Road)

Panel Reason:

The Panel is satisfied the measures imposed by conditions provide privacy for the adjoining property at no.176 Kurraba Road. The Panel noted the proposed landscape plan includes the installation of Lilli Pillies along the northern boundary at the lower ground floor (lower) and Condition C27 provides for appropriately advanced growth species to be implemented.

With respect to view impact the panel has considered the extent of views available from surrounding properties and has determined the proposal provides for view sharing and the impacts are minor and acceptable in the circumstances.

Voting was as follows:

Panel Member	Yes	No	Community Representative	Yes	No
Jan Murrell	X		Kenneth Robinson	X	
John McInerney	X				
Annelise Tuor	X				

ITEM 4

DA No:	DA 158/19
ADDRESS:	1/146 Kurraba Road, Kurraba Point
PROPOSAL:	Alterations and additions to an existing dwelling within an attached dual occupancy listed as a State Heritage Item.
REPORT BY NAME:	Michael Stephens, Assessment Officer
	The application is reported to the Panel for determination because the
REFERRAL:	proposed development breaches the development standard for height by more than 10%
APPLICANT:	Prudence Murdoch

Public Submissions

Submitter	Applicant/Representative
	Prue Murdoch - (Applicant /Architect)

Four additional written submissions were received and read and considered by the Panel.

Panel Determination

The Report and Recommendation together with the addendum dated 9 April 2020, is endorsed by the Panel.

The Panel considered the applicant's Clause 4.6 written request to contravene the maximum Building Height development standard within Clause 4.3 of North Sydney Local Environmental Plan 2013 and formed the view the applicant's written request satisfactorily addressed required matters within Clause 4.6(3) of the LEP. The Panel was satisfied the proposal was consistent with the zone objectives and the objectives of the development standard, notwithstanding the non-compliance, and granting consent was in the public interest.

Panel Reason:

The Panel concurs with the reasons given in the officer's report that the application warrants approval subject to conditions.

Voting was as follows:

Panel Member	Yes	No	Community Representative	Yes	No
Jan Murrell	X		Kenneth Robinson	X	
John McInerney	X				
Annelise Tuor	X				

ITEM 5

DA No:	DA 416/19
ADDRESS:	49 Reynolds Street, Cremorne
PROPOSAL:	Additions and alterations to a detached dwelling including a new first-floor extension, new carport, replacement swimming pool and landscaping.
REPORT BY NAME:	Lisa Kamali, Senior Assessment Officer
REASON FOR NSLPP REFERRAL:	The application is reported to the Panel for determination because there are 10 or more unique submissions that have been received and the proposal involves an exceedance of a NSLEP development standard exceeding 10%.
APPLICANT:	Damian O'Toole, Damian O'Toole Town Planning & Heritage Services.

Public Submissions

Submitter	Applicant/Representative
	Sasha Grebe - (Owner)
	Irenie Grebe - (Owner)
	Lloyd Ramsay - (Ramsay Architects – Represent the Applicant)

Three further written submissions were received and considered by the Panel.

Panel Determination

The panel has considered the written submissions received in respect of this application and the Officer's Report and Recommendation is noted by the Panel.

Following discussions with the applicant the Panel defers this matter to allow the applicant the opportunity to address the issues raised in the Officer's report and submit amended plans to allow the matter to proceed to a determination in a timely manner.

The following matters are considered by the Panel to be worthy of consideration by the Architect and Applicant in the preparation of amended plans.

- The height of the rear 'box' extension should be reduced through a reduction in the height of the rear parapet element, whilst allowing a 2.6m internal floor to ceiling height. Also, a 180 degree reversal of the pitch of the box roof should be investigated.
- The width of the rear 'box' extension should be reduced as per the officer's recommendation.
- The applicant/architect should consider options for reducing the height of the non-compliant portion of the first floor. Options for achieving a reduction in the non-compliance could involve a reduction in roof pitch or an altered roof form as recommended in the officer's report.
- The southeast facing bay window in the rear extension should be reduced in width as per the officer's recommendation.

The applicant must submit a revised Clause 4.6 written request for the amended plans for any proposed variation to the NSLEP Building Height Development Standard.

Panel Reason:

The Panel considers amended plans are necessary to address a number of issues raised.

Voting was as follows:

Panel Member	Yes	No	Community Representative	Yes	No
Jan Murrell	X		Kenneth Robinson	X	
John McInerney	X				
Annelise Tuor	X				

ITEM 6

DA No:	DA 18/20
ADDRESS:	Primrose Park Tennis Courts (Matora Lane)
PROPOSAL:	Addition of timber deck to an existing tennis court office and replace existing window with door.
REPORT BY NAME:	Geoff Goodyear, Town Planning Consultant
REASON FOR NSLPP REFERRAL:	The application is reported to the Panel for determination because North Sydney Council is the owner of the land.
APPLICANT:	Figgis and Jefferson Tepa Pty Ltd

Public Submissions

Submitter	Applicant/Representative
Beth Radford - (lease holder within the building	Robyn Chee
on behalf of several tenants)	

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Eight further written submissions were received and considered by the Panel.

Panel Determination

The matter is deferred to allow the applicant to pursue a more appropriate alternative that does not impact on the other users, in particular the artists' studios, of the heritage building.

Panel Reason:

The Panel is not satisfied the proposed deck is appropriate for this heritage listed community facility that accommodates a number of uses and such uses must be able to co-exist harmoniously.

Voting was as follows:

Panel Member	Yes	No	Community Representative	Yes	No
Jan Murrell	X		Kenneth Robinson	X	
John McInerney	X				
Annelise Tuor	X				

ITEM 7

DA No:	DA 200/19
ADDRESS:	2A Cowdroy Avenue, Cammeray
PROPOSAL:	Alterations and additions to a four-storey detached dwelling including a new roof and an extension of a swimming pool.
REPORT BY NAME:	Robin Tse, Senior Assessment Officer
REASON FOR NSLPP REFERRAL:	The application is reported to the Panel for determination because the variation sought to the building height development standard is greater than 10% and more than 10 submissions were received.
APPLICANT:	Liban Zakhia

Public Submissions

Submitter	Applicant/Representative
Robert Fraser	Dr. Wail El Waili - (Owner)
Hernan Hong	Liban Zakhia - (Applicant)
	Antoine Bechara - (Architect)

Panel Determination

The Panel has considered all submissions, both written and oral in making its determination. (This includes the two additional written submissions to the Panel.)

The Report and Recommendation together with the addendum dated 9 April 2020, is endorsed by the Panel subject to additional deferred commencement conditions and modifications to Condition A4;

(a) Condition AA1(f) be added as follows:

Condition AA1(f)

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Modifications to the Design of the Proposed Roof

The design of the proposed roof and associated structures must be amended to reduce its bulk and scale as follows:

- (i) The removal of the proposed roof extension to the north of the northern eave line of the existing roof on the top (flat) floor level;
- (ii) The removal of the two (2) unauthorised masonry columns on the existing roof terrace;
- (iii) The new replacement roof must not extend beyond the northern eave line of the existing roof and is to incorporate a hipped roof form at the northern side to reduce bulk and scale of the structure; and
- (iv) The design of any new roof extension to the north of the northern eave line of the existing roof must be of light weight construction incorporating a flat roof form with a maximum depth of 2m to minimise its visual bulk. The supporting structure for the roof extension (if any) must be of light weight construction.
- (b) Condition AA1(g) be added as follows:

Condition AA1(g) Deletion of a Doorway

A doorway on the southern elevation to provide access to the top (flat) floor level kitchen from the western carport must be deleted to ensure that pedestrian access to the dwelling is provided via the main dwelling entrance.

(c) Condition A4 be modified as follows:

Terms of Consent (D200/19)

- A4. Approval is granted for the following as shown on the approved drawings listed in Condition A1:
 - (a) Removal of the unauthorised eastern covered terrace windows and the removal of the unauthorised bi-fold doors to the eastern covered terrace on the top (flat) floor level:
 - (b) Removal two (2) unauthorised masonry columns on the top (flat) floor level to provide structural support for the proposed roof extension as required by Condition AA1(f) above.
 - (c) Demolition of the existing roof and the construction of a new roof as required by Condition AA1(f) of this consent;
 - (d) Demolition of the existing carports and the construction of a double garage, an open pedestrian entrance pathway to the dwelling and a single carport to Cowdroy Avenue as required by Condition AA1(a) of this consent;
 - (e) Removal of an existing doorway between the kitchen on the top (flat) floor level and the western carport as required by AA1(g) of this consent;
 - (f) Demolition of an existing external staircase within the eastern side building setback area and the construction of a new external staircase to provide access to the eastern garage with privacy screen as required by Condition AA1(d) of this consent;
 - (g) Construction of a new metal roof over the elevated passageway within the eastern (side) building setback on the second floor level and installation of a privacy screen to an existing opening off a first floor bedroom on the eastern elevation as required by Condition AA1(d) of this consent;
 - (h) Addition of a spa pool on a raised platform adjacent to the existing swimming pool and pool fencing;

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- (i) Retention of all trees identified in the Arborist report, dated 28 January 2020, prepared by Glenice Buck Design. The trees are T1 (*Grevillea robusta*), T3 (*Glochidion ferdinandii*) and T9 (*Grevillea robusta*);
- (j) Landscaping works within the subject site as shown on the approved landscape plan as required by Condition AA1(c) of this consent; and
- (k) The use of an unauthorised external wall on the eastern elevation as amended by Condition AA1 (e) under the eastern covered roof terrace.

No approval is given or implied in this consent for the swimming pool deck extension, tree removal and any other works not covered by this consent and other previous approvals issued by the relevant consent authorities or a Principle Certifier, both internal and external, within the subject property.

(Reason: To ensure the terms of the consent are clear)

Panel Reason:

The Panel agrees with the Officer's report that the current plans must be amended and as such a deferred commencement condition is imposed to ensure certainty. The Panel has also determined further design changes are necessary to reduce the overall bulk of the building and clearly identify the main entrance to the dwelling and these are also the subject of the deferred commencement conditions that must be satisfied and approved before the consent becomes operational.

Voting was as follows:

Panel Member	Yes	No	Community Representative	Yes	No
Jan Murrell	X		Kenneth Robinson	X	
John McInerney	X				
Annelise Tuor	X				

ITEM 8

DA No:	DA 38/18/2
ADDRESS:	43 Hayberry Street, Crows Nest
PROPOSAL:	Modification of consent for alterations and additions to terrace
REPORT BY NAME:	George Youhanna, Executive Planner
REASON FOR NSLPP REFERRAL:	The application is reported to the Panel for determination because the original development application included the addition of skylights to the existing roof at a height of approximately 9.8m above ground level, being greater than 10% above the 8.5m height limit.
APPLICANT:	Jeff and Yvette Mitchell

Public Submissions

No persons elected to speak on this item.

Panel Determination

The Report and Recommendation is endorsed by the Panel.

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Panel Reason:

The Panel is satisfied that the modification is of a minor nature and does not have adverse impacts.

Voting was as follows:

Panel Member	Yes	No	Community Representative	Yes	No
Jan Murrell	X		Kenneth Robinson	X	
John McInerney	X				
Annelise Tuor	X				

ITEM 9

DA No:	DA 7/20
ADDRESS:	23/238 Falcon Street, Crows Nest
PROPOSAL:	Installation of window to eastern elevation of Unit 23 and minor internal changes.
REPORT BY NAME:	David Hoy, Team Leader Assessments
REASON FOR NSLPP REFERRAL:	The application is reported to the Panel for determination because the proposed alterations are above the maximum building height standard of 12 metres pursuant to Clause 4.3(2) in NSLEP 2013. The Noncompliance with permitted height standard is greater than 10%.
APPLICANT:	Robert Joseph Wickham

Public Submissions

No persons elected to speak on this item.

Panel Determination

The Report and Recommendation as amended in the addendum dated 14 April 2020, is endorsed by the Panel.

The Panel considered the applicant's Clause 4.6 written request to contravene the maximum Building Height development standard within Clause 4.3 of North Sydney Local Environmental Plan 2013 and formed the view the applicant's written request satisfactorily addressed required matters within Clause 4.6(3) of the LEP. The Panel was satisfied the proposal was consistent with the zone objectives and the objectives of the development standard, notwithstanding the non-compliance, and granting consent was in the public interest.

Panel Reason:

The Panel is satisfied that the development application is of a minor nature and for the reasons in the Officer's report the development warrants approval.

Voting was as follows:

Panel Member	Yes	No	Community Representative	Yes	No
Jan Murrell	X		Kenneth Robinson	X	
John McInerney	X				
Annelise Tuor	X				

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The public meeting concluded at 4.45pm.

The Panel Determination session commenced at 5.00pm.

The Panel Determination session concluded at 6.18pm.

Endorsed by

North Sydney Local Planning Panel, 15 April 2020