



Your reference: DA0586/18  
Our reference: DOC19/30345  
Contact: Eleanor Saxon 8448 0489

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15<sup>th</sup> January 2019

Dear Adam,

**Re: Development Application DA0586/18, Kur-ring-gai High School**

I refer to your letter dated 20 December 2018 regarding development application DA0586/18 for the construction of a new multi-purpose hall including visual arts and drama classrooms, covered outdoor learning area and associated works at Ku-ring-gai High School located at 403 Bobbin Head Road, North Turramurra NSW, 2074.

The subject site is located adjacent to Ku-ring-gai Chase National Park and on this basis I refer you to consider the *Guidelines for developments adjoining land managed by the Office of the Environment and Heritage* (2013), available here: <https://www.environment.nsw.gov.au/research-and-publications/publications-search/guidelines-for-developments-adjoining-land-managed-by-the-office-of-environment-and-heritage>.

It is advised that Council ensures the development proposal does not directly or indirectly impact on the National Park, and that all works associated with the development, including measures such as those required for bushfire protection or storm water management, are kept entirely within the boundaries of the subject site.

Council's assessing officer should also consider the impacts of bushfire and understand National Parks and Wildlife Service (NPWS) level of commitment to managing bushfire hazards within NPWS managed lands. This information is contained within the Ku-ring-gai National Park Fire Management Strategy available on our website: [www.environment.nsw.gov.au](http://www.environment.nsw.gov.au).

Council should also consider direct and indirect impacts on threatened species potentially occurring in the vicinity. The threatened species *Epacris purpurascens* var. *purpurascens* has been recorded within the boundaries of the High School. However, these records are located within the vegetated area to the north of the development proposal area and are not likely to be found within the development proposal area, as the site is already disturbed.

Other issues include the management of waste e.g. from the communal open space area and potential for weed invasion because of landscaping.

If you wish to discuss the above please do not hesitate to contact Eleanor Saxon on 8448 0400.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'E. Saxon', with a stylized, cursive script.

**Eleanor Saxon**  
**Ranger, Valleys**  
**National Parks and Wildlife Service**  
**Office of Environment and Heritage**