

URGENT ORDER ON DIG SITE

A builder has been ordered to stabilise urgently a building site in Prices Circuit, Woronora which has been halted for safety reasons by Sutherland Shire Council, after queries by WVRA Inc on behalf of a resident.

Deep excavation done was “not acceptable in terms of safety and environmental management,” Council replied to WVRA’s queries, raised online at www.woronoravalley.com .

An Emergency Order was issued “to make the site safe,” according to the Planning Director Peter Barber (11 April 2017), after local E-Ward councillors were also told by WVRA.

An approval had been given for a new dwelling at no.77, but “work has not proceeded in accordance with that approval,” he said.

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Council’s order had “required a range of actions to be taken to make the site safe, and a number of these have been completed.” Plastic sheet has partly covered the unstable 50-metre clay face.

Primary dangers are two room-sized boulders (arrowed), piggy-backed precariously on the edge and which could roll indefinitely down the steep terrain to other properties.

“Council will continue to monitor the site until it has been returned to a satisfactory and safe state,” said the chief Planner.

“The certifier engaged by the owners will then be able to resume responsibility for the project. Thank you for bringing this matter to Council’s attention.”

The certifier was not a local firm, but based at Baulkham Hills.

