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Dear Mr Prosser,

Please find attached our letter of submission for the DA at 27 Bellevue Ave, Avalon.

Please let me know if anything else is required, or if you would prefer me to submit this letter through the website portal.

Kind regards,

Amber Almenning

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From: Amber Almening <<u>amber@speakeasygroup.com.au</u>> Subject: Information on DA 2020/1162 - Avalon Public School P&C enquiry Date: 15 December 2020 at 5:47:24 pm AEDT To: <u>thomas.prosser@northernbeaches.nsw.gov.au</u>

Dear Mr Prosser,

My name is Amber Almenning and I am writing to you on behalf of the Avalon Public School P&C Committee about the DA in for 27 Bellevue Ave, Avalon Beach - 2020/1162.

I would just like to find out how the DA is progressing and hopefully chat to you about the impacts on the school that it may have, and whether we have still have time to make a submission?

If you you can let me know when you can talk, that would be great.

Kind regards,

Amber Almenning 0414603582



Dear Mr Prosser,

RE: DA2020/1162

Thank you for your time on the phone last week and I appreciate your time to accept our submission.

As Vice President of the Avalon Public School Parents' & Citizens' Association, I am writing on behalf of the whole school community, regarding the development that has been lodged for an address opposite the school on Sanders Lane, at 27 Bellevue Avenue, Avalon, 2107.

There are a number of reasons why the Avalon P&C has concerns about this development, but obviously the primary concern we have is focused on the safety of the children entering and leaving the school.

Both the school and Northern Beaches Council have implemented a number of measures to provide a safe passage for children to enter and leave the school through the access on Sanders Lane, and we feel that the development of senior housing with three apartments on this site will render these changes (that have been put in place with much consideration and planning) futile.

The Northern Beaches Council has spent a significant amount of time and funding on managing the flow of traffic that moves up Sanders Lane, to allow a safer passage for children and parents when entering and leaving the area. This includes:

- Narrowing the entrance to the lane to slow the 'entry' speed of cars from Old Barrenjoey Road.
- Constructing a wider fenced pavement on the southern side of Sanders Lane extending for approximately 15 metres from the corner of Old Barrenjoey Road (replacing 3 car park spaces).
- Supporting the school's intention to relocate the bike racks from the staff car park to the grass area inside the school fence adjacent to Sanders Lane, as well as install a new gate for bike access/egress that will open on to the new wider pavement area.

In order to reduce the number of cars that are usually in the area to collect children at the end of the day, traffic calming measures are vital, and the safety of children when they leave the school grounds can only be assured when these risks are mitigated. Unfortunately, adding additional housing to this location will only increase the risk.

We also have concerns about the impact that a multi-dwelling building will have on the area around the school. The school is obviously placed in a village setting with commercial buildings located quite close by, however with the current tree management system and the establishment ,over 25



years ago, of a native bush and tree reserve, known as Nura Djaroba, opposite the proposed development in the NW corner of the school's boundary, we have been able to maintain the leafy nature of this beautiful area and provide an ecosystem and wildlife corridor for many native animals that are finding their habitats drastically reduced.

The DA submitted leads us to believe that a number of native trees will be sacrificed for this development, and while we appreciate the native plantings that have been proposed in the plans, this will have an immediate impact on everyone who is in the area, not just the pupils and parents.

We cannot in good conscience support this development and implore you to consider the points raised above.

Kind regards,

Amber Almenning

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