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To the Assessing Officer

Application No. DA2025/0151
Lot 11 DP 1258355, 5 Skyline Place, Frenchs Forest

Danger caused by Increased Traffic entering the Jardin Basement Car Park

Many drivers entering the ramp to the Jardin basement car park from Skyline Place are already driving dangerously. With the increased daily traffic and children being driven to the Montessori Skyline Childcare Centre, safety is paramount. The six drop-off/pick-up parking spaces on Skyline Place will not always be available and the basement car park is the next best option.

As a resident of Jardin Stage 1, I use this ramp almost every day. I have already had three drivers entering our property cut across in front of me, while I was exiting the car park, and have had to slam on my brakes. The first driver wasn't aware of me until the very last minute and I almost drove into her driver's door. The other two instances occurred after the Forest Family Medical Practice moved in and traffic increased.

Although Platino plans to widen this ramp, there is no indication by how much, on the plans. It needs to be wide enough to construct a division down the ramp, between the traffic entering and exiting the car park, creating two distinct lanes. Today our Building Manager showed me the blocks that will be placed along the ramp to create two distinct lanes at some time in the future.

However, at the Skyline Place entrance, in addition to the blocks, there also needs to be a flexible post where the blocks begin, like the posts used to create new lanes on busy roads during peak hour. These are used on Spit Rd, Mosman. It would guide drivers, approaching from the north along Skyline Place, to make a wide right-hand turn in, so they are perpendicular to the footpath when they cross it, before entering the car park ramp. It would also ensure they are right over on the left-hand side of the ramp. Then there needs to be a vertical "Keep Left" sign attached to the post.

There also needs to be a stop sign at the top of the exit lane on the ramp, to ensure drivers look both ways when exiting Jardin. It is anticipated local mothers or fathers and children will walk up Skyline Place to the childcare centre and return along this footpath in the afternoon. When exiting the car park, you cannot see approaching pedestrians until you are almost crossing the footpath.

Platino needs to make this ramp safe, especially in response to this Development Application.

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