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Attention- Planning Department, Engineering Department, Storm Water Operations and Planning

Please find below correspondence from us to the owners of this development application **DA2021/1463**
10 Reid Ave

North Curl Curl 2099

18.02.2022

To whom it may concern

We are writing to strongly object to the proposed drainage of water from 33 Parr Avenue North Curl Curl through the pipe which crosses beneath our property at 10 Reid Avenue North Curl Curl. This is a private pipe as stated by the council in May 1987.

We endured severe hardship through damage caused by the undermining of this pipe over numerous years due to excessive water flowing through it.

1985 –our driveway on the southern side of the property collapsed with damage also to the sewer line.

1986- A break in the pipe on the northern boundary

1987- Severe water damage (caused by the pipes inability to handle the excessive water flow) to new stored building materials (gyprock and timber).

On all these occasions the Council advised us that this was our responsibility to fix as this was a private inter-allotment drain, even though most of the issues were from other properties. The council stated that we were responsible for the maintenance of this pipe and any damage or faults caused by the excessive water flow we had to fix which we did at great cost!

We find it bizarre that the Council should now decide that this is a drainage easement! It is blatantly obvious that the pipe is incapable of the extra flow proposed for it. The tapping into the pipe by the residents in 31 Parr Avenue North Curl Curl (up the hill) last year was initially stopped by the Council, yet still went ahead unbeknown to us!

While we understand the water must go somewhere, an alternative solution must be found. Absorption and level spreading of the drainage water is NOT an option due to the excessive flow during extended periods of rain.

I trust the Council in their wisdom will find an alternative solution to this matter, and realise that even with the assistance of the Supreme Court the pipe is not capable of the extra water flow that is proposed for it.

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