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RE: DA2018/1924 - Forest Way FRENCHS FOREST NSW 2086

I welcome the proposed development of the ageing Forest Way shopping facility however not at the expense of the safety, amenity and utility of the surrounding ratepayer residents.

As a result of the rejection of the right turn on to Forest Way, the proposed posted Traffic Addendum seeks to force all southbound traffic from the new development onto the residential family street of Grace Ave. A street that is exceptionally congested and effectively one-way due to traffic reduction/pacifying structures and the residents having no choice but to park on either side of the street. Grace Ave allows access to-and-from 3 surrounding primary schools and as such, often has a high volume of school children crossing the road.

At described in the posted Traffic Addendum, Point 14: "Table 1: Existing + Development Two-Way (Sum of Both Directions) Peak Hour Traffic Flows" as a result of the development the traffic forced onto the local residential street Grace Ave is forecast to increase by between 90 to 175 vehicles (including large delivery trucks) during peak hour (which is strangely not specified) on Monday to Friday and by between 100 to 180 additional vehicles on a Saturday. This is in comparison to a negligible increase onto the major aerial carriageways of Warringah Road between 40 to 45 vehicles (M-F) and Forest Way of between 35 and 105 vehicles (M-F) which represents a minor increase of between 1% to 3.8% on their current traffic volumes. The volume of vehicles on Grace Ave will only increase once the proposed closure of Russell St to through traffic is enacted.

This increased volume of traffic on a street that already has measures to reduce traffic makes absolutely no sense and begs the question whether the application review has fully considered the safety of, and modelled the impact on local residents. Please ensure that a suitable entry/exit point to the development is implemented that takes traffic on and off the main arterial routes (Forest Way and Warringah Rd.) and not into already congested and dangerous local streets.