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Subject: Development Bilgola Bends

RE: DA2021/1164 - 521 Barrenjoey Road BILGOLA BEACH NSW 2107

I oppose the councils plans for the further development of additional housing and associated infrastructure along the west and eastern faces of Barrenjoey Road through the area called The Bilgola Bends.

Any building and construction in this area would require large scale excavation on what is already steep and difficult sites requiring the continued stability of the underlying bedrock and the control of runoff water from the sites which is presently managed naturally.

Development in this area will be at the total expense of the local natural environment and habitat which presently exists.

The upgrade of The Mona Vale Road due for completion in the near future will attract more traffic to the Peninsula increasing congestion and the need for more parking facilities.

Further development will also bring additional traffic to this area which is already a problem for commuters especially at peak times. The Barrenjoey Road through this area already signifies how dangerous a road it is by having a double line painted along the centre of the road from the incline leaving Newport to the Bilgola roundabout. This however has not been enough to prevent accidents and deaths on this part of the road to date. Encouraging new homes on either side of this only access road will cause more traffic congestion, accidents and injury.

In this time of global warming and awareness of the importance of nature why would the council consider trading peoples safety, and destroying the local environment for the development of building sites.

Regards,
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