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RE: DA2024/1216 - Gourlay Avenue BALGOWLAH NSW 2093

I write with reference to application DA2024/1216 Gourlay Avenue, Balgowlah. As a local resident for over 15 years I strongly oppose this application. I do not feel that the residents of this area have been sufficiently consulted on the proposal by the new owners of the marina.

1) Safety

As a mother of two children it is my opinion that this application poses a risk to the safety of my children and others who use the bay for water activities including swimming, kayaking, Stand up paddle boarding, dinghy and junior sailing. The bay is already busy with the existing swing moorings and marinas and an increase in number and size of boats using the bay would be a risk to public safety.

There is already strain on the limited parking available and the proposed development would increase traffic in the single lane roads leading to the marina with no turning area which again pose safety risks to the many pedestrians who use this area.

2) Noise pollution

I believe an additional kiosk is unnecessary with the existence of cafes close to North Harbour reserve, Tania Park and the new kiosk at Manly boat shed. A licenced premises is not in keeping with the tranquil environment bush setting and would cause unwanted noise pollution.

3) Loss of amenity

Furthermore the removal of the slipway would create a considerable inconvenience to boat users in the area which require this amenity.

4) Environmental

I do not believe due care has been taken in considering the environmental implications is permitting large watercraft to maneuver and berth in the bay, other than the risk to other water users there is likely to be an environmental impact to the protected seagrass and sea turtles and rare seahorses amongst other marine life.

This proposal in its entirety is an overdevelopment of an area which should be protected in order to maintain community enjoyment, public amenity and environmental preservation.