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RE: DA2021/1612 - 1 Clarke Street NARRABEEN NSW 2101

My wife and I used to own a unit in the Marquesas in Ocean St, Narrabeen. I still surf there regularly. I believed Council had constructive interaction with the community in relation to the proposals for some form of protection for houses damaged in the 2016 storm. I was very disappointed two months ago to go to the beach and see that vertical walls, rather than sloping revetment walls were being constructed. It is well known vertical walls destroy the working of a beach. This will result in narrowing of the beach and the beach not being able to function in the way that it always has. I believe that the approvals with vertical walls breach the relevant Act, SEPP and the Coastal Management Plan. Council is required to be satisfied in relation to some items rather than to merely have considered them. The visual disamenity and overshadowing by the wall, which is high and which will protrude upwards should not be allowed.

It seems that Council has acceded to proposals from landowners to have a vertical wall which allows them to have full use of their property-to the detriment of the beach and users of the beach-rather than having the natural position of a revetment or sloping wall with rocks in it coming up from the beach which often then becomes covered with sand. . This then parallels the normal situation of sand dunes. What it does is that part of the land slopes down to the beach. Whilst there is a tension between protecting a landowner's property, that tension is satisfied by having a proper seawall, which is a revetment wall, rather than having a vertical wall. A continuation of approvals is likely to destroy the ability of the beach to function as it has done and to be available for the enjoyment of the public.

There needs to be discussion with the public. They are not aware of what is being done.