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RE: DA2025/0132 - 37 Roseberry Street BALGOWLAH NSW 2093

I am writing to formally object to the proposed development of a McDonald's restaurant in our suburb. While I understand the need for commercial development, I believe this particular proposal is not in the best interest of our community for the following reasons:

1. Impact on Community Culture and Wellbeing:

Our suburb is predominantly residential and is valued for its quiet, family-oriented environment. Introducing a 24-hour fast-food outlet, particularly a global chain like McDonald's, undermines the local character and risks shifting the area's cultural fabric from a community-centered neighbourhood to a commercial traffic zone.

2. Increased Traffic Congestion:

The proposed location is already subject to significant traffic during peak hours. A high-volume fast-food drive-through would exacerbate congestion, increasing wait times, noise, and the likelihood of accidents, particularly near intersections and school zones. It would likely deter local residents from visiting existing local businesses along Roseberry St.

3. Attraction of Late-Night Traffic and Antisocial Behaviour:

McDonald's locations often attract late-night patrons, which can lead to increased noise, loitering, and even antisocial behaviour during hours when the surrounding community is trying to rest. This is particularly concerning in a suburb (and particularly Roseberry St and surrounding streets) that is otherwise quiet and not accustomed to such disruptions.

In light of these concerns, I urge the planning committee to reconsider the suitability of this development within our residential area and to prioritise developments that align more closely with the character, needs, and wellbeing of the local community.

Sincerely,
Laura