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RE: DA2020/0393 - 28 Lockwood Avenue BELROSE NSW 2085

The recent investment in this area (Lionel Watts, Dog Park, cycle/walk track and Playing fields) are welcomed by the community and are a great example of council investing to uplift the quality of life for so many people, be they kids like ours who can jump on heir bikes and spend a few hours independently in a safe environment or older folks who also make use of the new facilities.

When it comes to safety, we like most parents are acutely aware of our responsibility to ensure our children's safety. We stress the importance of using pedestrian crossings, teach our kids road safety and maintain contact with them when they go on their adventures to "Lionel" - its a place where life long memories and friendships are being made.

What creates anxiety for my family and many members of the local community is the prospect of our area becoming more populated and intensive from a traffic perspective, than it already is

I firmly believe that this specific development is ill advised for the following reasons:

Glen St is already a bottleneck, when a bus approaches traffic stops as parking is allowed (and required) on both sides of the street. Additional traffic from this development will exacerbate this issue and by consequence create a less safe throughfare for all users, in particular those on bikes

The proposed development is at an already highly congested intersection where the servo, Glenrose village, the new library and the theatre all intersect. Throw the pedestrian crossing onto the mix and you have a recipe for disaster.

The developer has proposed a building which squeezes every possible centimetre of space, creating a wall where there was previously open space surrounding the old library. In simple terms this will look appalling, but its as much about safety as it is about aesthetics.