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MR Steven Newman
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RE: DA2022/1516 - 30 Herbert Avenue NEWPORT NSW 2106

My partner, Julie Whitelaw, and I are currently in Italy, having departed Australia 24 September. We were only recently alerted by our neighbour to the formal notice of this DA by Council.

Currently 30 Herbert Ave releases all its stormwater flows onto the steeply sloped terrain to the north of the extent of its existing hard surfaces. This stormwater run off includes a significant quantity from the 'unkerbed/unguttered' Herbert Ave roadway, and the adjacent 'road reserve area' which includes the steeply sloped landscaped garden bed and the upper extent of the 30 Herbert driveway. The resulting large stormwater flows onto the downslope properties of 5, 7 & 9 Elvina Ave have at times required temporary defensive barriers to deflect the flows from possibly inundating ground floor living spaces. [We have recorded a number of short mobile phone videos which I would be pleased to send to the relevant Council officer].

Additionally, their existing pool overflows during storms resulting in the die-back of 7 Elvina's rear lawn.

Since there isn't any Council stormwater drainage available for 30 Herbert, it is imperative that their DA approval requires suitably large sized retention tanks. These tanks would require a system that allows watering of their landscaped areas during drier periods, and controlled broad distribution of tank overflows to avoid the concentrated flows that currently occur.

The pool over-flows should be managed by an automatic system that pumps the excess pool volume into SydneyWater's sewer system.

Julie and I are supportive of the general landscaping proposal. It would be a significant improvement upon the existing neglected terrain, and should provide 30 Herbert with the opportunity to manage their stormwater run-off with appropriate consideration of their neighbours.

Prior to our return to Australia 24 October, I can be contacted via the nominated email, or mobile# +39 351 527 5073

Sincerely,

Steve Newman & Julie Whitelaw