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Sent: 22/02/2025 1:15:26 PM
To: Council Northernbeaches Mailbox
Subject: Submission for McDonalds at Balgowlah / Manly Vale

Dear Council,
In reference to proposed development Reference: DA2025/0132.

It is with a very heavy heart that I have been made aware of the proposed development of a 24-hour McDonald's in the Balgowlah/Manly Vale area.

Our daughter, who is 17 and attending Mackellar Girls High School, sat in my car yesterday with her school friend and they were appalled at the proposal. Their concerns are legitimate, highlighting that students will have very easy access to this fast food restaurant and will likely visit it frequently. It is almost unavoidable for a student to resist the temptation to buy cheap, unhealthy food, and they are very concerned about the impact on their general health. Mackellar takes pride in providing healthy, affordable options for their students but will be unable to compete against this fast food restaurant. Is it the council's intention to compromise the health of the children in their jurisdiction? That is precisely what will happen if this plan goes forward.

The second major issue with this proposal is the impact on traffic around the roundabout at the corner of Roseberry and Kenneth Roads. This will contribute to the already significant amount of traffic in the morning. There are already cars blocking that roundabout waiting for the lights on Condamine Street. What measures is the council taking to address the traffic impact that this proposal will undoubtedly exacerbate?

I urge the council to reconsider this proposal, taking into account the long-term health and wellbeing of the community, particularly the younger population, as well as the existing traffic congestion issues.

Thank you for your attention to these serious concerns.

Sincerely,
David Travers
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