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Sent: Monday, 14 February 2022 10:53 AM

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Subject: Further objection to 65 Hillside Road DA

Dear Kye,

My family forebears would be 137 years old and they had houses in Newport on both sides of the family.

I have consequently been coming here for all my sixty one years. Number 67 is turning 100 years old next year.

Hillside Road consists of narrow blocks. Two ecosystems have evolved. One of nature and one of humanity. The humans have evolved the latter in order to be able to coexist and thrive in close proximity.

Last October the death knell of both systems sounded as the chainsaws callously removed the extremely rare lilli pilly and shrubbery on number 65 . We were shocked and wrote to council about it. The damage done to the natural system appeared irreversible, and given there was no consultation to the neighbours , likewise a death blow to the local human ecology .

As a Civil Engineer who practiced in the water resources section of Sinclair Knight and Partners in the 1980s especially around stormwater detention, I was aware of the negative effect of removing the tree and hedge on the hydrography. Whilst the removal of them had many destructive aspects, Eg exposed ugly

buildings and removed privacy, I focussed on how the tree had once prevented a building development which would have blocked our views to the north east, one of the biggest assets our property possesss. I foresaw that a development may follow, now that a means had been taken to remove the tree we loved.

So I rang council later to find that this DA had indeed followed. As an engineer I was only too aware that council would have many guidelines to prevent the numerous individual transgressions against our ecosystems but also that it would be time consuming to identify them, and so was delighted to find Mr Doyle who would effortlessly be able to cite them. Mr Doyle has therefore done my job, but in support I would like to endorse his observations by saying , I object to the invasion of privacy that the inclinor would bring, I object to having a swimming pool so close to our living area such that it will either be a visual and audible blight or if not obstruction to our views. I object to the triple story granny flat not only because it would have unspeakable deliterious effects on our main view and that of those looking back from the street, but because it has been common knowledge that previous owners have already exploited the rules there with the existing structure for two decades and now it is proposed to not only legalise the previously illegal arrangement but to expand on it. I object to the absurd request to further amplify the existing transgressions on the impermeable area guidelines, and I object to every fibre of the cumulative train wreck effect of all of the items. It has been said by many, "this is Newport, not Bondi." Everyone in the street that I have spoken to are incensed about the current demise of 65, please let it go no further.

Regards Nick Holcombe