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Subject: DA2021/1164

I strongly object to the proposed development DA2021/1164 at 521 Barrenjoey Road. I tried to submit my objections on your website but it would not go through.

I object for the following reasons:

1. The large scale of the proposed development and the earthworks required for its construction would radically alter the landscape, in the process destroying native bushland and animal habitat.
2. Extensive excavation poses a risk of landslip onto Barrenjoey Road.
3. Access to the site is extremely difficult. Excavation and construction will cause traffic chaos on the Bilgola Bends, already a crowded road. This will have a big impact on everyone living north of the site.
4. The house design is too large for the site. Visually it will dominate the area and its size means there is not enough room for replanting trees and shrubs on the block because of bushfire prevention requirements.
5. It does not appear to comply with Council building height limitations or set back from the road.
6. The cost of excavation does not seem to be reflected in the stated cost of the project. Under funding risks that the project may never reach completion and remain an open wound in the landscape.
7. There are no realistic parking solutions for site workers. There are no nearby side streets, parking on Barrenjoey Road is impossible and there is no safe pedestrian access.

This development goes against the Council's proclaimed aim of preserving the natural beauty and biodiversity of our area. It sets an unwelcome precedent of large concrete and glass structures that take up almost all the site. I strongly object to this destruction of our environment.

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