## Sent: 17/11/2020 2:06:16 PM Subject: Objection to Application Number: DA2020/0552

Dear Ms Sawyer and Northern Beaches Council,

I reside at 6 Lister Avenue, Seaforth, NSW 2092. I am writing because I strongly object to the proposed Senior Living Development at 181 Allambie Road, Allambie Heights on the grounds that the development will severely impact Manly Dam and surrounding bushland.

As a local resident my family and I are frequent visitors and users of our renowned local Manly Dam bushland and environs. We enjoy the beauty of our local natural environment and the diversity of local flora and fauna for which the Manly Dam area is a necessary refuge. I fear that this development is once again chipping away at our beautiful Australian heritage and that development is always given precedence over the necessity to preserve native habitat and vegetation.

On a national level we are forced to sit back and watch both government and councils countrywide allow wanton destruction of bushland and native habitat which is inexorably leading to both the dwindling populations and the steady extinction of many of Australia's unique animal populations. There seems to be a callous disregard for preserving our natural habitat for future generations. Environmental destruction goes on unchecked with profit more important than sustainability and environmental protection.

The proposed development will not only necessitate clearing of valuable bushland it will increase pollution to the dam area and water courses. Precious local species will be negatively impacted with loss of habitat. The Manly Dam area has already been subjected to encroachment but the Manly Vale Public School extension. The fact that some of the fauna e.g. the climbing fish are unique to the area should ensure special protection and consideration.

Instead of further erosion of environmental protection laws I call upon Northern Beaches Council to take the lead in preventing the destruction and erosion of an area such valuable native habitat. There are surely other 'brown site' areas of the northern beaches within which the Senior Living Development could be approved without any negative impact to the natural environment.

Yours sincerely,

Jenny Buck