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**RE: DA2020/0079 - 18 Boyle Street BALGOWLAH NSW 2093**

Dear Sir, I wish to object to the very large sign to be erected in front of the church opposite the townhouses 27-29 Boyle Street on the following grounds.

1. It is far too large and out of proportion with the buildings and surrounds. It is also unnecessary as the spire of the church is a landmark in itself.
2. Distraction to drivers - the size of the sign suggests it needs to be seen from a vast distance of kilometres. The nature of the surrounding streetscape makes this impossible and unnecessary.
3. Destination - People only need confirmation of arrival at the destination which a smaller sign would provide. They use sat nav and google to find directions which take them to the door.
4. I understand the need for the church to advertise times of services and various events. There are signs available with moveable lettering and no lighting used by many churches in the area ie Seaforth Anglican Church; St Mary's Freshwater in Raglan St Manly etc. quite successfully.
5. Environment - completely unnecessary use of electricity particularly through daytime. In an era where we have to be mindful of the environment, emissions and waste.
6. Light impacts on houses and apartments around the sign. Should lights be used (apart from the environmental impact) turning them off at 10pm is too late for young babies and the elderly living nearby. Residents in Boyle street have already had to request the church turn off lights in the foyer at night. Lights on the sign are unnecessary.
7. The sign will detract from the quality and the streetscape of the area. It will make the church look like a Fast Food Outlet and Balgowlah (which has been much improved in recent years) like a Las Vegas Strip- neither a good image for a church.
8. The sign should be no bigger than the wooden sign it is replacing. It could be along the lines of other church signs in the area, without lighting. It would therefore serve its purpose as destination and message board without severely impacting on the neighbourhood.

Yours sincerely  
Maureen Faulkner