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RE: DA2024/1216 - Gourlay Avenue BALGOWLAH NSW 2093

I'm a resident of King Avenue and am concerned about the upgrade proposed for the former Davis Marina in Gourlay Ave (DA2024/1216). The leaseholders of the marina have since written an undated to residents with a number of concessions.

1. They will accept a maximum vessel length of 15m on the T-head berths. As an owner of a 13m boat in the bay I know that 15m maximum length is in keeping with the bay. Larger vessels would have been entirely inappropriate. Note: A 30m length vessel can be 13m width and two storeys above the deck. Currently the maximum height in the bay is a flybridge above the deck on just a handful of vessels. Larger vessels would create an adverse visual impact obscuring the view of Wellings Reserve from King Ave, Lauderdale Ave and the iconic Manly Scenic Walkway. Larger boats will also create light pollution across the bay, obscuring the views across to North Head.

2. The new kiosk hours are now restricted to 7am to 4pm. This is important. We raised both our children from babies in King Avenue and it is a tranquil environment. It would be far more difficult to settle children with evening noise floating across water.

3. I note, as a boat owner, that the removal of the slipway means that we will now have to travel to Clontarf or Castlecrag to do our annual anti-foul, for the safety inspections needed for insurance and for other repairs and maintenance. The old Davis Marina boating community provided a total service to boat owners. The dissipation of those services damages that community cohesion. If each LGA allows its shipwright services to be retired without consideration of other offerings then it becomes harder to meet Maritime's requirement that vessels are kept in good condition on the mooring. It will also become impossible to get insurance. I note the application claims that there will still be maintenance. Without a slipway this is disingenuous. Slipways are essential for safety inspections and for annual antifouling. Some slipway services should be retained.

Therefore I would like the slipway retained and the consent amended to reflect the shorter kiosk hours and the smaller vessels maximum length.