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RE: DA2025/0132 - 37 Roseberry Street BALGOWLAH NSW 2093

Submission Opposing Development Application DA2025/0132
To Whom It May Concern,

I am writing to formally oppose the proposed Development Application for the establishment of the McDonald's restaurant located between Mackellar Girls High School and Balgowlah Boys High School.

My opposition is based on several concerns:

Traffic Congestion:

Despite the promised roundabout, the proposed development will significantly increase traffic congestion in an already busy area. The influx of vehicles, including drive-through customers and delivery trucks, will exacerbate traffic flow issues, leading to longer delays and increased risk of accidents. This congestion will not only affect residents and commuters but also have a detrimental impact on the accessibility and viability of existing local food outlets and small businesses nearby.

Impact on Local Small Businesses:

The introduction of a large fast-food chain in this location threatens the sustainability of existing small food businesses. These local establishments are integral to our community's character and economy. Increased competition from a major chain with extensive resources could lead to the closure of smaller, independent businesses that cannot compete, resulting in a loss of local diversity and jobs.

Litter and Waste Concerns:

Fast-food outlets generate a substantial amount of rubbish, much of which ends up as litter in surrounding areas. The proposed McDonald's location, situated close to two high schools, is likely to become a hotspot for rubbish, negatively impacting local cleanliness and the environment.

Health and Nutrition Impact on Students:

The location of this Macdonalds restaurant between Mackellar Girls High School and Balgowlah Boys High School will inevitably encourage students to purchase and consume unhealthy food options. This accessibility undermines efforts to promote healthy eating habits in our schools and contributes to poor dietary choices among young people, potentially impacting their long-term health and well-being. The reduced signage promise in the latest application is no help, this Macdonalds is not for tourists, its for LOCALS. Our children will

know that the food is there (regardless of signage) and eat Macdonalds. Do you want your children to eat Macdonalds 3 times a week? I certainly don't.

For these reasons, I urge the council to abort any ideas in welcoming this dirty, polluting, multi billion dollar corporation in to the Balgowlah community and to stop the approval of this DA, prioritising the interests of our community, local businesses, and the health of our children. Thank you for considering the community and its well being,

Sincerely,
Lara Dunford
Fairlight Street
