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RE: DA2019/0812 - 33 Starkey Street FORESTVILLE NSW 2087

I would like to lodge my comments regarding this application.

Whilst I am not not against progress as such and can understand a need for development of more accomodation, I am against progress for an unwarranted and unnecessary eyesore and blight on our village like environment that this application presents.

My objections are:

1. Appearance. This planned development looks like shipping containers stacked together with windows and very poor articulation. The sheer density and bulk of these things would be an architectural eyesore in our area.
2. Why is it even needed? Other boarding houses in the area are clearly not patronised and with the other eyesore apparently approved in Violet avenue, surely this would be an oversupply. I would not have a problem in principle if the development was for SEPP5 housing or other lower density housing. These projects should be located on Warringah Road if they are to be in the area at all.
3. Precedent. The approval of this project would surely open the floodgates for further boarding house applications in the area.
4. Notification. Whilst not 100% sure of this requirement, isn't there meant to be notification of DA on the site? The way I found out about this was a cardboard sign erected on a nearby corner. Surely that alone should be grounds for an extension of the consultation period so further public comment can be submitted?
5. Parking. With 0.5 car parks per room and potentially 2 people per room with a car each, you could potentially have more than a dozen vehicles from this property taking already short supply street parking.

Please help keep the Forestville RESIDENTIAL area residential, not a semi commercial rental operation by rejecting this proposal.