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RE: DA2019/1260 - 29 North Avalon Road AVALON BEACH NSW 2107

I object to this development application because it seems to be bending the rules in order to get over the hurdles of approval. Here below is an example of the problem. The amended report on the distances to bus stops appear to be at odds with those in the original submission. The amended report shows a 400m radius circle drawn from the proposed site and the Barrenjoey Rd Bus Stops are within that radius, however the original report on Bus Stop locations actually measured the distance and said the the Bus Stop on the Western side of the road (Buses from the South would stop there) was 412m from the site. One of these reports is incorrect, and I suspect that the people that measured it are more likely to know the distance a Senior would have to walk, than someone who uses a compass to draw a circle. As I said in my original objection to the original submission, the 412m to the bus stop is only half the problem. The bigger problem is that Barrenjoey Rd is a busy road, with no traffic calming measures near the junction with North Avalon Road. Any senior with mobility difficulties will have a problem trying to cross the road to reach the bus stop. If the council is NSW government is serious about allowing this development to go ahead, then it should also introduce traffic calming measures where people are most likely to cross. Note that this will also help all residents and school children who wish to cycle or walk to work (something to be encouraged).

Just looking at the number of other objections, there is surely something here for the council to seriously consider!

Thank you.

Hugh Spear