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To The Panel Secretariat,

I support the latest layout amendments of the Newport SLSC's Club Renovations DA and support the Newport Surf Life Saving Club's proposed Clubhouse renovations for the following reasons:

- The proposed amendments to the Main Gear Shed access and eastern / northern concourse changes will not adversely impact NSLSC's operations and provide additional mitigation measures to protect the existing and new portions of the building in the event of a major future storm event.
- The amended DA proposal incorporates necessary coastal engineering protection measures now agreed by the experts for the existing Clubhouse, which must be undertaken as a priority to avoid the potential for significant damage or the possible destruction of our Clubhouse due to a significant storm event. These coast protection works are essential to maintain public safety and are required regardless of whether the Clubhouse is renovated and should be undertaken as soon as practically possible.
- The Newport Surf Life Saving Club is classified as an Essential Service Facility (as gazetted as part of the Emergency Services Legislation Amendment Bill 2018)
- Any proposal to relocate the Clubhouse to another location is ill-founded and not based on sound technical or engineering facts. The amended reports prepared by the Council's expert consultants as part of the current proceedings demonstrate that any such relocation of the Club's facilities cannot be accommodated due to a range of environmental and physical constraints, not to mention the potential loss of public parkland or parking resulting from a relocated building footprint.
- Any relocation of the existing Clubhouse would create a dangerous precedent for the beachgoing public and would severely hinder the Newport Surf Club's ability to undertake its emergency services operations. Beach safety surveillance and the Club's ability to rapidly deploy emergency rescue craft during a rescue event would be dangerously compromised.
- Any relocation of the public amenities and change rooms that form part of the Clubhouse complex away from their logical beachside location would create further safety and inconvenience issues for the beach going public by forcing young kids or elderly/disabled citizens to traverse a busy carpark to gain access to remotely located amenities.
- The proposed renovation and rationalisation of the Club's facilities creates the opportunity to adequately address WHS issues associated with the ageing building and bring it into line with

current-day compliance and safety standards which protects our volunteer Members and the general beachgoing public using the clubhouse building.

Regards,
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