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I did not realise that submissions closed prior to midnight on the 16th October however the submission form is no longer accepting submissions so I am emailing here. Please consider my points about the submission and include them in the submissions.

Points to consider when assessing the current development application for the redevelopment of the flower Power site

I'm not against the development I think it will be lovely for flower power to do a revamp of their nursery

This current DA shows trucks using a driveway onto Myoora Road to enter and exit the site. This is during construction phase, but then also into the future during the operational phase as the landscaping trucks will be coming and going from that point also is my understanding.

Myoora Road is extremely congested and operates at the moment as a self managed by residents contraflow as a car and bus /truck can often not pass each other in opposite directions with the available space. Myoora Road is currently extremely congested with all the people who are working at the hospital site using street parking. What Parking does flower Power have organised Off Street to avoid the same problem happening during their construction phase. Will the front of the site be sufficient or will there be overflow onto surrounding residential streets?

Myoora Road is used by multiple buses, particularly during peak times to get people to and from school and work

Myoora Road is the main bus route for high school students attending numerous high schools such as Davidson. High, Brigidine, Mater Maria, Stellar Maris, Pittwater High, Narrabeen Sports, Oxford Falls Grammar, Barker, PLC, schools in St Ives (both primary and high school) Ravenswood and Knox just to name a few.

We also have a huge number of students arriving into Terrey Hills daily to attend Northern Beaches Christian School, The German International School and the Japanese School

Terrey Hills Public School is on the corner of Myoora Road and Cooyong Rd, facing the back of the Flower Power site. This is a small local school where many students and their families walk to and from school. The school zone for Terrey Hills Public School continues along Myoora Rd to include the German International school. Terrey Hills Swim School is also on Myoora Rd.

Many local students also walk to Kinma school

Terrey Hills also has a high number of horse riders and cyclers . Many are locals, others come into the area to access the local riding trails, Bridle Paths and rural facilities further down in Terrey Hills and Duffys Forest. Local residents, and those coming to Terrey Hills have lived with a daily nightmare of trying to traverse my road in its current state and it has put extra traffic onto the back streets of our small, semi rural community

Currently, landscaping truck enter and exit Flower Power via Mona Vale Road. A solution needs to be found as to how these vehicles can safely head in the direction of St Ives that does not involve them turning down Cooyong Road and navigating the roundabout in the school zone at the corner of Myoora and Cooyong Rds. This is an even worse scenario of putting the additional trucks on a new Myoora Rd driveway!

Mona Vale Road has proven itself to be an extremely dangerous thoroughfare with multiple accidents, many of which close the road for an extended period of time. Myoora Road then becomes the detour past those accidents for all the Mona Vale Rd traffic

During the early stages of the construction of the new hospital on Myoora Road, some trucks removing material from that site did not move safely through this area. Those huge heavy trucks sped along Myoora Road, then sped along Mona Vale Road so fast that it times were unable to even attempt to stop at red lights and just went straight through them. This puts all local residents and people moving through the area at great risk.

Whilst potentially areas of Terrey Hills are zoned as industrial, the reality is, these industrial zones sit alongside residential areas with a high pedestrian population

There are currently only 5 exits out of Terrey Hills and Duffys Forest:

- McKays Creek Road down toward Cottage Point.
- Access to Mona Vale Road via Traffic lights at McCarrs Creek Road (at peak times there is a long queue of traffic back down past the Terrey Hills shops to access this set of traffic lights.)
- Access to Mona Vale via traffic lights at Forest Way (queues it up to 1 km long along Myoora Rd with vehicles waiting to access those traffic lights have occurred previously)
- Left turn only onto Mona Vale Road at Cooyong Road
- Access to turn left or right onto Mona Vale Road at Aumuna Rd. This is a high accident area as there are no lights to
 allow vehicles to turn right and it is a busy 4-6 lane road in an 80 km an hour zone. Many GPS systems direct vehicles
 to go that way, but those in the know certainly don't attempt to turn right onto Mona Vale Road during busy times.

I'm not sure what the solution is for Flower Power in regards to their heavy vehicle movement, but they do need to reassess the situation and look at other solutions.

Some community consultation from Flower Power to identify issues and find solutions would be beneficial

When assessing this DA application I request Council have a full understanding of the issues already exisiting in the local area and consider the safety of our community.

Your sincerely Cathy MacNamara