Anne Marie Young

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Dear Mrs Young,

RE: Pedestrian Crossings and Proposed Footpath

Application No: DA2019/1522

41 and 43 Beach Road Collaroy

I am writing to you as a resident of Beach Road for 29 years in regard to the correspondence presented by Sargood in relation to the above Development.

Sargood Centre has been operational since 2017 and the amazing residents there have been in no need of a pedestrian crossing. The footpath on the eastern side of Beach Road was proposed and constructed primarily for the use of the Sargood residents and has proved successful in helping them travel as far as Anzac Parade.

If further safety and convenience is required due to the development at 41-43 Beach Road then the continuation of the footpath at the northern end of Beach Rd could be extended to meet up with the footpath on the eastern side of Beach Road. This is a far safer proposition than a pedestrian crossing on Brissenden Rd and a further one on Beach Road to allow access to the footpath on the eastern side. That requires crossing two roads that will be impacted by traffic to the Development at 41-43 Beach Road.

Residents, joggers, the elderly and mothers with prams have managed to cross both Beach and Brissenden Road forever without the necessity of a pedestrian crossing.

I understand the need for the care and safety of the Sargood residents and I am quite sure that safety attendants will be in place during the busiest part of the construction so they will be able to assist the residents if that is the direction they wish to go.

There have been three developments in Beach Road in the last year and many more in previous years without the interruption of footpath activity.

The residents of Beach Road are proud of our natural look environment, care for our kerbside lawns and tree planting.

We are also proud of the fact that the Collaroy Basin is the home of the Sargood Centre, the brainchild of many positive thinking residents. Maintaining the safety of those residents is of paramount importance and in my opinion the continuation of the footpath from the northern end of Beach Road to meet up with the existing footpath in front of No Beach Road is the best proposition.

Yours faithfully

Robyn Storey



