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## RE: DA2021/1164 - 521 Barrenjoey Road BILGOLA BEACH NSW 2107

I urge our elected councilors and the responsible Council staff to reject this proposed development, which "fails the pub test" on many levels:

1. The permanent destruction of highly significant flora (and possibly fauna),

A significantly oversized structure out of character with the surrounding area, and
The inevitable and significant traffic disruption that will impact the thousands of people who live north of the bends.

Regarding the traffic impacts, no reasonable person could deny the periodical congestion it will cause on our primary access road during the construction period. Imagine if anyone from Avalon, Whale Beach, or Palm Beach needs to get to the hospital at the same time as Barrenjoey Rd is reduced to one lane by some aspect of the construction. Who will take responsibility for that?

While I respect that people have rights in relation to their private property and will argue strongly for the right to do what they want on "their land", those rights do not override their duty of care to the community. This proposal puts the amenity and potentially the safety of the broader community at risk and should be rejected.