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RE: DA2020/1489 - 8 Forest Road WARRIEWOOD NSW 2102

We reside at 2 Bert Close directly opposite the proposed entrance to this development. When we purchased our home some 8+ years ago we were told by our solicitor that the bridge accessing Warriewood Grove (our neighbourhood area of 21 dwellings) would be permanently closed except for emergency use and access would be via Forest Road. This was due to the high usage of Jubilee Avenue and Daydream Street for the commercial premises therein that have expanded substantially since with the addition of a swim school and the Arcadia hospital. As stated by others, leaving our residential area at 5pm can take 20+ minutes to get to the roundabout at Ponderosa Ave - approximately 600 metres. If you add 80+ dwellings of 3 bedroom, it is conceivable that an additional 150 vehicles would be exiting in a bushfire emergency. Approval of this submission with that knowledge would place the council in a position of criminal negligence if a death occurred.

The initial approval for 8 Forest Road was access via that road. If you look at a Gregory's street directory from a few years back, Forest Road and Boundary Street, now blocked off at Mona Vale Road, were gazetted to be built. Surely the owners of 8 Forest Road and the landlocked area on Boundary Road accessible only via the Uniting Church could be made to complete those roads to actually build an appropriate firebreak and provide access sensible for the volume of traffic likely.

This development with multi-storey units is absolutely inappropriate - townhouses and small residential blocks similar to that now established on the northern side of Mona Vale Road are the correct use of this land.

As noted by a previous submission, no recreational facility is included for potentially 250+ residents, many likely to be young families.