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DA 2023 0868 37 Hay St Collaroy NSW 2097

I am writing to strongly object to the proposed four block development at 37-43 Hay Street Collaroy.

There are several reasons I believe this development would be a disaster for the current residents, but the primary concerns are traffic congestion and precedent for similar developments.

As one of the land releases in the 1920s, Hay Street has a historic charm with its beachy homes and a sense of community. Introducing high density housing into this will set a precedent that would likely destroy that appeal. It also has the real potential to adversely affect property prices.

We have been living at 20 Hay St since 1996. In that time we have witnessed the growing amount of traffic and cars parked up and down Hay St. On many occasions it is a close squeeze between the parked cars – even navigating up and down the road is like dodgem cars. A high density apartment block would add even more vehicles – both the residents and their visitors – to an already heavily congested street.

The surrounding streets are also overcrowded, particularly in summer when beach goers park for free away from council carparks. The rest of the year doesn't fare much better with people parking around the corner from UpperCrust pies and also on weekends to visit the "pop-up caryard" on Pittwater Rd along Griffith Park.

We have had council assessors visit in the past to assess the traffic conditions and they have seen first hand the amount of traffic that currently uses this street and the parking conditions we all face. A clever developer may take an image of the street at certain times of the day (when people are at work/school) and you would see an average amount of cars parked on the street. Unfortunately, this is not a true representation.

To sum it up, traffic congestion and parking are already a significant issue and this development will create absolute chaos. It also sets a precedent for similar developments in this area – totally destroying the charm of this beautiful location.

I know that most of the locals feels as strongly as I do about this development not being permitted to proceed. I implore you to please listen and take on board that this is our neighbourhood. These are our homes. This is our lives you are impacting.

Yours sincerely,

Julie Lewis 20 Hay St Collaroy NSW 2097 Mob: This email (including any attachments) may contain confidential and/or legally privileged information and is intended only to be read or used by the addressee(s). If you have received this email in error, please notify the sender by return email, delete this email and destroy any copy. Any use, distribution, disclosure or copying of this email by a person who is not the intended recipient is not authorised.

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