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To: Planning Panels - Northern Beaches
Cc: Sammie
Subject: concerns to item 4.3 / DA2021/2567 - 60 Federal Parade, Brookvale on Wed 15/02

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Dear NB Local Planning Panel,
Dear Steve Findlay,

I am the husband of Samantha Glass, who has raised a submission to the above mentioned DA2021/2567. We are both residents of [REDACTED] Consul Road.

We would like to raise concerns with the assessment report to item no. 4.3 / DA2021/2567 - 60 Federal Parade, Brookvale.

Raised issue of "**Car parking, traffic and road and pedestrian safety**":

Our concern is that the increase in traffic in the streets surrounding the applicant's premises is being underestimated by both the Traffic Impact Assessment (TIA) being conducted as part of the application as well by this report and the comments being made relating to this issue.

The report and its comments to the raised issue suggests that 54 new car spaces (across 2x new car parks) will be added to the existing 83 car spaces, resulting in a new capacity of 137 car spaces for both staff and students. According to the TIA, 90% of staff members are using the car and therefore require a car space. With proposed 152 staff members, the number of required car spaces for staff will be ~137. In addition, currently 25 students have registered to drive to school. With the student numbers proposed to increase by 33.3%, this will likely increase to ~33 students driving to school. It appears as if there are 170 car spaces required, with only 137 being available after the works in the application are being delivered. This is under the assumption that every student driving to school indeed registered. The current perceived car parking situation suggests that more than 25 student cars (P-plater) are being parked around the school every day.

We further question that the school is already employing 150 staff members, but only proposed to increase this by 2 staff members as part of the application, to deal with 400 additional students.

Furthermore, to address the issue of pedestrian safety, the report only suggests that a Traffic and Parking and Management Plan (TPMP) as well as a Operational Management Plan (OMP) will be in place and include "traffic wardens to be stationed at key locations to ensure pedestrian safety of students and the public at drop off and pick up times". Our concern is that neither the TPMP nor OMP addresses the raised safety issue for public pedestrians along Consul Road. As noted in the submissions to this DA, there is no footpath on Consul Road. Walking along Consul Rd, especially during wet weather and with a pram, means walking on the road. During school drop-off and pick-up times this simply becomes dangerous. An increase in student numbers will further increase this already existing safety risk.

With regards to the mentioned Traffic and Parking and Management Plan (TPMP), it is our concern that the school won't be following through on the agreed action items. It is already evident that the school is neglecting their responsibility to station dedicated traffic wardens during drop off and pick up times. For example, on Federal Parade there is only a very short no-parking-zone on the west-facing side of the road. On several occasions, we had to witness that there was no traffic warden positioned here to guide parents into this zone and usher them out for a quick turnaround. As a result, parents either stop in the middle of the road or in private driveways to drop-off or

pick up their kids. This causes some drivers to do dangerous overtaking, and further adding to the grid lock during peak times.

We would appreciate to see more evidence that the poor pedestrian safety in Consul Road is being properly addressed.

Regards,
Residents of [REDACTED] Consul Road
Samantha Glass and Alexander Ruch