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Northern Beaches Council
Development and Planning Department

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Dear Madam/Sir

I write as a long-standing resident of Tabalum Rd to object to the above Development Application. The plan on the NBC website appears to be a significant overdevelopment above Council's control standards in innumerable aspects, with the non-compliant height and bulk of the proposed corner-block structure contributing to what I believe will result in a serious downgrading of the streetscape. My concern over the streetscape being scarred is high, since my husband and I built our home here following purchase of our land at the original 1962 crown land auction. At the time of our purchase the blocks were not cleared of bushland and the initial houses were able to nestle into the natural setting adjoining the National Park. In this Development Application the natural setting has been all but ignored and walls of glass and concrete appear to be overly dominant.

I also write as an ex-member of the previously existing Manly Environment Advisory Committee (made defunct on Manly Council's merger into Northern Beaches Council) where, while it existed, I advised council on issues where it was important to optimise the health and wellbeing of the community as a whole. Retention of as much green space as possible, active reduction in hard surfaces and enhancement of neighbourly collaboration are all aspects that should be considered in order to contribute to a community's mental and physical health enhancement. None of these considerations are respected in the existing application. Again for this reason I object to this development application.

I note that Council's goal "... is to protect and enhance our natural and developed environment ...". I therefore ask Council to seek a revised plan for redevelopment in this instance that complies in all respects with Council's standards.

Sincerely

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