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RE: DA2021/2116 - 145 Old Pittwater Road BROOKVALE NSW 2100

This proposal is of significant benefit to the Northern Beaches community for the many reasons listed below:

1. Health and wellbeing is a vital area of importance for so many people and such facilities and services will enable the resident of the northern beaches to access service that will directly relate to the benefit and improvement of their overall health and wellbeing, by providing avenues for fitness, recovery, rehabilitation and and general self improvement.

2. This facility provides a unique opportunity in that training, rehabilitation and recovery are all accessible in one location. This is a unique point of difference in that inclusivity and integrated services can be accessed and utilised by anyone on the northern beaches. To my knowledge this this is currently not available anywhere in Sydney.

3. The location at Warringah Mall makes it accessible for the entire Northern Beaches community with regular buses going to the venue daily. It also means people will be able to access these services whilst they are heading to the Mall for their shopping and groceries making the trip of even greater value and saving time - important for busy and time poor families.

5. This facility will provide unique and equal opportunity for the elderly and people with disabilities. Support services for people with disabilities are always hard to come by, especially in the hydrotherapy and learn to swim sense, but these are so vital for their well being and cognitive development. This facility has the ability to lead the way for a new generation of treatment and development being able to provide fully integrated solutions for the elderly and people with disabilities. This makes it incredibly unique and incredibly important to that person within the Northern Beaches community.

4. As a Gold Licence Swimming Coach and former Australian Swimming Team Coach, I can say that whilst there are many learn to swim programs on the Northern Beaches, few do it well, and of those that do, significant waitlists exist, forcing people to search for alternatives outside our community. This centre would provide another option with the highest calibre program around. How do I know this, because I know who is applying for this DA and the type of people they are. This centre would cater specifically for the children of the Northern Beaches community and given our lifestyle, it is paramount that every child in the community has the ability to learn to swim in a great program. The squad programs would be able to provide greater opportunity for the huge number of surf, swimming and waterpolo participants in the

Northern Beaches community as well.

It is my understanding that this centre would be fully accessible and inclusive of so many wonderful services for all! This is a remarkable opportunity for the Northern Beaches Community to lead the way with an all inclusive facility such as this designed purely to improve the health and wellbeing of the local community and provide equal opportunity for every individual no matter what walk of life they might come from!