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RE: DA2025/0132 - 37 Roseberry Street BALGOWLAH NSW 2093

I am writing to formally object to the Development Application for a McDonald's restaurant on Roseberry St, Balgowlah.

While I understand the importance of economic development and community services, I believe this proposal will have an unreasonably negative impact on the surrounding neighbourhood for the following reasons:

1. Traffic Congestion

The whole point of a fast-food restaurant is to get maximum traffic in and out quickly, and this site is not equipped to handle more congestion. The proposed location is situated near already busy intersections and residential streets, which I drive down regularly and am consistently in a traffic jam. A fast-food outlet of this scale will significantly increase vehicle movements, particularly during peak hours and late at night. Drive-thru lanes, delivery trucks, and increased customer traffic will likely cause congestion, posing safety risks for pedestrians and cyclists and reducing the amenity of the area for residents.

2. Rubbish and Litter

Fast-food restaurants are well-known sources of litter, and McDonald's is no exception. Despite best intentions and waste management plans, rubbish such as wrappers, cups, and bags frequently ends up in public spaces and neighbouring properties. I live on Lovett St and regularly see rubbish dropped on our street and on the corner near the Manly Vale community centre. There is also already a rubbish issue in the walk between Roseberry St and the Coco Republic cafe, where I frequently see litter on the ground, and a McDonalds will add to this.

3. Noise and anti-social behaviour

Extended trading hours will mean extra traffic and loitering into the late hours - no positive benefits can come from this for the local community.

For these reasons, I respectfully urge Council to reject this application.