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| Subject: | Attention: Anne Marie Young |
| Attachments: | footpath (1).docx; Re 41 Beach Road.pdf; |

Hi Ane Marie,

Please find attached a submission in relation to DA2019/1522 in response to an earlier submission from the Sargood Centre regarding footpaths and traffic management in Collaroy Basin.

The Sargood submission was only recently drawn to our attention, as we weren't notified of the original DA.

Could you please acknowledge receipt of this email.

Thank you for your assistance.

PS. I have attached both a word file and a pdf scan with a small diagram for your convenience

Best regards, Michael Burns Attention Anne-Marie Young Planning Division, Northern Beaches Council 724 Pittwater Road Collaroy Dee Why NSW 2097 NSW 2099 27/5/20 Michael & Ryta Burns 32 Beach Road Collaroy 2097

RE: DA2019/1522 41-43 BEACH RD COLLAROY NSW

This submission is in response to an earlier submission by The Sargood Centre relating to this development, regarding new footpaths and road crossings, which has only recently been drawn to our attention.

As background, we have lived in Collaroy Basin for more than 30 years and we are very familiar with the motor vehicle and pedestrian traffic flow in this area.

A few years ago, Council undertook a major upgrade of the curbing and guttering, drainage and grass verges throughout The Basin.

Prior to commencing the project, Council ran an extensive consultation process with residents to assess their views on the upgrade.

The overwhelming majority of residents strongly supported retaining the grassed verges and nature strips which are part of The Basin's heritage.

Virtually all residents wanted to retain the unique beachside character of the area and strongly objected to the construction of concrete footpaths or fully paved roads.

The precinct committee worked closely with Council and residents to reach agreement on a continuous concrete footpath to provide safe and level pedestrian and wheelchair access through The Basin, running right through from Anzac Parade and the golf club to the Sargood Centre.

This has served well for many years.

I presume the development at 41-43 Beach Road will be required to conform to Council's traffic management requirements and to ensure the safety of pedestrians passing on the existing concrete footpath as well as road users.

With the amount of excavation to be done at the site a dedicated traffic management team will be required during some stages of construction.

The adjacent development at 39 Beach Road, which has been underway for nearly a year, has shown that safe passage via the existing footpath can be maintained.

SARGOOD FOOTPATH PROPOSAL

Sargood has proposed constructing roughly 80 metres of new additional concrete path together with two pedestrian crossings.

This would require the relocation of a number of Telstra/NBN communications ducts and pits as well as the removal of at least two long-established trees.

This would represent a completely unnecessary waste of ratepayers' funds at a time when all governments are facing unprecedented financial constraints.

It would also expose Sargood guests and other pedestrians to two road crossings instead of one.

The Sargood proposal is also completely contrary to the wishes of the vast majority of the residents of Collaroy Basin who voted against concrete footpaths when they were surveyed a few years ago.

The existing crossing arrangement could be made safer by putting a stop sign on Brissenden Avenue at the intersection of Beach Road and introducing warning signs and clear road markings for the crossing. A local slow speed limit of 20K could be applied to the north end of Beach Road.

A BETTER SOLUTION

If a new crossing is ultimately deemed necessary, the obvious solution would be to continue the existing concrete path on the east side of Beach Road another 20 metres and locate a crossing in front of Sargood's guest entrance.

This would have a range of advantages;

* It would be safer because it comprises one crossing instead of two - and the crossing would be located in a much lower traffic flow area (Beach Road between Brissenden and Ocean Grove carries through-traffic to the golf course, tennis courts, Florence Street car park and dog park.

* It would involve vastly lower cost

* The crossing would be more visible because of the existing traffic islands on the corner of Brissenden and Beach roads

* It would conform with the wishes of the overwhelming majority of residents

If council decides that there is a need for changes to the existing footpaths or traffic management in Collaroy Basin we would request that all affected residents be notified.

Thank you for your consideration.

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