
Sent: 10/02/2020 5:39:10 PM

Subject: Submission for DA2019/1260 "Daily Traffic Congestion".

RE- Proposed Seniors Development 27&29 North Avalon Road, North Avalon.

Dear Renee Ezzy,

This morning I received the attached photo and video from my daughter and son-in-law (who live in North Avalon Road), having just got petrol at the local Metro Service Station and turned left onto Barrenjoey Road.

They were sitting in standstill single lane traffic at 9.08am this Monday school morning(10th February) heading south into main Avalon, just before North Avalon Road, which is on the left hand side.

They were on their way to drop their daughter/my granddaughter off to her Pre-School in nearby Avalon Parade and he told me it took them an extra 25 minutes to get there, finally arriving late!

THIS HAPPENS EVERY SINGLE MORNING, EVERY SINGLE WEEK DAY!!!! It is a nightmare!!!

Please note to the left of this photo, the traffic also banked up in North Avalon Road and Catalina Cres, trying just to get out onto Barrenjoey Road.

Then they too will join the other massive traffic jam. We should not have to leave North Avalon an extra half an hour earlier every morning, than we need to, just to get into Avalon on time????

It is normally only a 5 minute trip!!!

Sadly, unfortunately this is the current reality we are now faced with. I have mums regularly complaining to me about the time it takes them to drop their children off to school every morning.

Not to mention if one of their kids forgets to take something when they are only half way to school (after sitting in traffic for 20 minutes), then turn around to go back to pick it up, and then again join the congested traffic.

A Traffic Assessment Report was prepared by PDC Consultants in Chippendale, on behalf of the developer Armada Avalon Pty. Ltd. back in September 2019.

After speaking with the company who prepared this report, there has been no Traffic Report Survey, or Traffic Modelling Statement undertaken or prepared for this proposed development.

No allowance has been made focusing on this main priority T- intersection of North Avalon Road and Barrenjoey Road. The traffic has purely been reported on the supposed data of "peak periods" between 7-9am and 4-6pm.

We therefore ask that the Council requests A Traffic Modelling Statement be undertaken and

prepared, and that the Traffic Assessment period be extended from 7-9.30am and 3-6pm, to reflect the before and after school traffic, as

Avalon Primary does not start until 9.30, and finishes until at 3.30pm.

There has only been one on-site inspection done back in September 2019, which was made 2 weeks prior to the published date of the prepared traffic report. This on-site inspection specifically only addresses the immediate

development site itself and not the traffic flow. The on-site inspection occurred between late morning and early afternoon, well outside the peak traffic periods!

Unfortunately this company they could not tell me the specific date of this on-site inspection, or tell me if it was on a school day or during the School Holiday period. This makes a huge difference to the outcomes.

They informed me that no one has come out to undertake a Traffic Survey, where they count cars or take photos for that matter. This should be an absolutely necessity for a development of this size and scale,

and I ask Council to request a further assessment to be undertaken to provide more detailed information and data for this major priority T-intersection.

This is a direct statement taken directly from the prepared Traffic Assessment Report-

5.2.Traffic Impacts

As discussed above, the proposed development will result in a net increase of 3 vehicle trips / hour during the AM and PM peak periods, or one additional vehicle trip every 20 minutes.

This is a negligible increase that will have no material impact on the performance of the external road network or key intersections in the locality and accordingly, no external improvements will be required to facilitate the

development.

*Please note this assessment was for the period between 7-9am and 4-6pm inclusive.



There is also no on-site visitors parking provided, so where are all the many cars belonging to the 20+ senior's children, grandchildren, extended family and friends going to park when they make their regular visits?

North Avalon Road is already full of existing residents cars!

After last night's weather, with road closures, trees down and extremely dangerous weather conditions, I fear not only for local residents trying to access our nearest hospital now located in Frenchs Forest,

but for the increased elderly people who will be moving here to live in yet another SEPP-55 Development in Avalon.

I would also like to request an on-site inspection with Council representatives, along with height poles to be erected by the proposed developer.

Avalon local have feared this continued over-development would occur more and more, especially when Pittwater Council amalgamated to form the Northern Beaches Council!

The Council has rejected this huge complex twice already, and I implore NBC to reject it again!

The local Residents of North Avalon are sending a strong message to the NBC with the numerous written submissions lodged (50 to date), along with a petition signed by almost 100 concerned residents

regarding their opposition this proposed development.

Please listen to your constituents and take all of our submissions into account.

I only hope that the Land and Environment Court will not only see this development as being totally unsuitable, but reject this proposed Development outright, and listen to the Community of Avalon.

If not it will be indeed be a dark day in North Avalon's history if they don't.

Enough is enough!!

P.S. I have recently been informed of yet another SEPP-55 Development is proposed for 3 Central Road consisting of 8 apartments.

Regards

Cathy Chard.