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**Sent:** Monday, 17 June 2024 3:53 PM  
**To:** Planning Panels - Northern Beaches  
**Cc:** [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** DA2024/0091 Submission

**Categories:** NBLPP

Dear Planning Panel,

We are writing to ask you to reconsider the current drainage plans associated with the Development Application for 45 Boyle Street, Balgowlah. We understand the current application would direct water overflow between properties on Cormack and Boyle streets, rather than onto Boyle St. We believe this will significantly increase the risk of flooding in our property, 4A Cormack Street. We were not notified by council of the potential impact of these changes on our property.

Our property already experiences a risk of flooding during severe rainstorms, due to our sunken ground floor. In March 2022, enormous amounts of runoff from Sydney Road flooded the inside of our home, destroying the flooring and skirting boards. We have since installed extra drainage in the front of our property to reduce the risk of further flooding.

Just two weeks ago, our neighbours at 4 Cormack Street experienced flooding that threatened to overflow inside their home due to an incredible amount of water coming down the hill and over a retaining wall. The rear of 45 Boyle Street overlaps the rears of the Cormack Street properties, and using this path for drainage would recreate the conditions of recent flooding and most likely increase the frequency of such flooding risks.

We understand you have received submissions from a number of residents in the area, and we are presenting a united front. We are not waterflow or plumbing experts by any stretch, but from our own experience, we know that not redirecting the water runoff from 45 Boyle St into the existing stormwater system under Boyle St would significantly increase the risk of flooding to our property.

We ask that you reconsider the current plans and engage an overland waterflow expert to assist in finding an alternative solution.

Kind regards,

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