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**RE: REV2021/0045 - 5 Skyline Place FRENCHS FOREST NSW 2086**

To Northern Breaches Council ` 19 January 2022

Dear Sir,

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on REV2021/0045.

My wife and I have been residents in Belrose since 1970 and through our involvement in local churches, we have seen dozens of children grow up from babies, to young adults, to married adults to being grandparents.

The Forest suburbs have surprisingly few types of housing. The majority of the young marrieds have had to move out of the Forest suburbs because of the high cost of property and the lack of choice of property. Yes, there are some apartments appearing in Forestville and some recent boarding houses and more planned throughout the Forest suburbs.

For the retiree or the over 55's seeking seniors living in the area where they have lived for decades, there are few choices apart from retirement villages.

We are in this category and had expressed interest in an apartment block about to be commenced and now under construction in Belrose, but when Jardin Residences came on the market, we dropped the retirement village idea, because we could purchase an apartment for half a million dollars less. We did not really fancy living in a village of octogenarians but would rather live in an over 55's development where there will be a range of ages.

So Jardin Residences, the first major seniors living development in the Forest, sold very quickly because of the acute need and stage 2, the subject of REV 2021/0045, is likely to attract over 55's from near and far.

Council, we understand, have raised objections to Stage 2 because it is being proposed on non-residential land and on the grounds that the present zoning is required for commercial warehousing and new businesses such as Dan Murphys and Bunnings. Yes, job generating areas are important but there is a lot of land lying vacant or underdeveloped to this day between Warringah Road and Frenchs Forest Road East.

Equally important is providing seniors living with some welcome low income housing, for where else can it be provided in the Forest? Where else is there flat land for seniors living?

The revised design is a great improvement on the original in scale and mass. It will also

provide added amenities for Stage 1 too.

In addition, it too will generate jobs both in the commercial areas and in servicing the residences, probably at a higher rate than servicing the current warehousing. As the residents grow older, more servicing will be required.

Please support this development.

Sincerely,

Donal Carr  
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