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RE: DA2023/0868 - 39 Hay Street COLLAROY NSW 2097

Subject: DA 2023/0868

Dear Sir / Madam,

I wish to express my concern, disappointment and disapproval of the proposed Seniors Housing Development set down for Hay Street Collaroy.

I have resided in Collaroy for almost my entire life and observed all that this suburb and neighbourhood has to offer. Therefore I can speak with genuine experience and wholehearted reflection on "Collaroy Life" and what makes this community special and desirable.

11 new apartments replacing 4 long standing residences on a seaside suburban street is not one of them!

The health, happiness & welfare of surrounding neighbours & the environment first and foremost will be severely impacted and this alone will create intense side effects and negative backlash moving forward.

Growing up, Hay Street was a beautiful, quiet, peaceful location with a wide open empty street, frequented only by those who lived here. Today it is a busy thoroughfare, a park n ride station, a shopping carpark overflow and sadly a permanent personal garage & driveway extension for a number of households. The street is suffocating with parked vehicles daily. The further impact on surrounding streets would be immense because of this, if not already.

The precedent and encouragement for further such structures that approval of this development would set is also of great concern. As mentioned by others, is this the beginning of the end for Collaroy?? What next?

There is already an existing seniors housing complex at the end of Hay Street, another over 55's unit block on Pittwater Road opposite and two significant apartment developments currently underway behind Collaroy shops. ie. Enough. Our suburban streets are already under significant pressure and simply cannot cope.

Without question the market value of the Collaroy diameter which is currently set at a premium, the enticement and desire to obtain real estate in the area, the lure of attractions and the general flavour, feeling and vibe of the location would take a downhill turn and hurt not just Hay

Street alone.

I would encourage those involved in this decision making process to listen to those who live here and know what is best for this valued family pocket on the Northern Beaches.

Let's learn from past mistakes and preserve this special place. Don't destroy Collaroy.

Regards,
Renee Jennings