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Northern Beaches Council
725 Pittwater Road

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## RE DA 2019/1173 3 BERITH STREET WHEELER HEIGHTS

Attention Anne-Marie Young

**Further Submission** 

I refer to Environment Health Referral Response – industrial use

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## Reasons for referral

This application seeks consent for large/and or industrial development."

I note there is no date nor is it signed by whoever did the report.

I am absolutely appalled at this report. As a resident of 27 ½ years 9 months living at 5 Berith Street I was quite shocked to learn that although we are considered living in a low density housing area, members of the Council and Developers consider we are ripe to be victims for mass overdevelopment according to this report. Recommendation **APPROVAL.** 

## I AM ABSOLUTELY DISGUSTED.

We do not live in an Industrial Area.

## We do not live in a Unit Area

We all purchased our homes in good faith, let's not forget that as well as being our homes this is also the biggest investment we make in our lives. I have no doubt that the value of my property will be affected if this ugly overdevelopment goes ahead. We are not living in a unit area which is my choice not to, and I don't want one built next door to me either.

How can the Council and the Developer concede to the apparition that this huge unsightly proposed block of units which is surrounded by single storey homes be considered to be acceptable to the streetscape and character of the surrounding properties.

We should not be subjected to the stress that has been forced upon us. It is easy for these "experts" to judge what is okay for us residents to endure. They don't live here. It's not their lives that are affected, they just move on and leave the mess behind them.

The Senior Living Guidelines state site design should be driven by the need to optimize internal amenity and minimize impacts on neighbours.





Well, this neighbour is massively impacted by this proposed development as is the Spencer Family at 1 Berith Street, Millichamp Family at 27 Rose Avenue and Mrs Dorothy Cordery at 25 Rose Avenue.

The surrounding residents do not want nor need the almost total excavation of 3 Berith Street. We have all been impacted by the dust and traffic from the recent excavation at 44 Rose Avenue. We do not want to be subjected to an excavation that has been deemed unacceptable. Do I want to take that risk with my home. NO. I DO NOT.

Why couldn't the Architects have chosen a design that is more in keeping with the surrounding properties, thereby avoiding possible damage to adjacent dwellings. The current DA does not show any consideration for adjacent neighbours and existing residents.

The Council's hands are not tied as we are continually being told. This DA does not show concern for the neighbours and residents, which is not in keeping with the streetscape and character that is stated in the Senior Living Policy – Guidelines, it is being abused by developers intending to cram as much on one block of land that they can. In my Submission dated 10<sup>th</sup> November 2019 I went to great lengths to discuss the Statement of Environments Effects Item 4.2.2. Height of Buildings comes to mind. To ensure that buildings are compatible with the height and scale of surrounding and nearby development. Nothing could be further from the truth. The majority of the surrounding properties are single level. This study prompted me to request height poles as this DA appears to be over the maximum height allowed. To this date my request has not been forthcoming. This DA appears to flaunt the guidelines of both the Senior Living Policy and the Statement of Environment Effects. How can it possibly be approved with the current design. Surely a more suitable DA should be submitted.

I note that the developer has contravened regulations. I wonder what else is in store for us as no consideration has been shown to existing residents. I have not given up hope that sanity will prevail and that this DA which is totally unsuitable and unacceptable will be rejected in its current form.

I am a very disillusioned resident of Northern Beaches Council having purchased our first home on the  $3^{rd}$  September 1965 and then purchased our new home in Wheeler Heights  $10^{th}$  April 1992 a total of 54 ½ years living in this area.

Yours Sincerely

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