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RE: DA2024/1216 - Gourlay Avenue BALGOWLAH NSW 2093

Dear Sirs.

I am writing to object to the revised submission by North Harbour Marina.

North Harbour is used by families, dog walkers, kayakers, sailing dingys, swimmers, sups and all manner of small, medium and moderate sized water craft - sailing and motor. The inclusion of a channel will encourage more traffic to the area, and of much larger craft, which will then need to turn round to get out. It will be much busier and therefore dangerous for the current usage of the area. At low tide it is very shallow in many parts making any channel almost impossible to turn around in.

The cafe: Currently Forty Beans closes at 3pm, and Effies at Manly Boat Shed (Treharnes) closes at 1pm. For the cafe to be open later than this is not in keeping with the current character of the area. In addition there is very limited parking in Gourlay Avenue and at weekends and race days at (Manly, NHSC and Middle Harbour) the carpark is absolutely packed and the surrounding streets also. This area is a shared zone for pedestrians and cars. There are children on small bikes, dogs off the lead, people walking with bags of swimmers and picnic equipment - all navigating the shared zone of Gourlay Av to and from Forty Baskets beach, North Harbour park and the nearby beaches. Not to mention the increasing number of visitors walking the Spit to Manly walk. Increased traffic from an additional cafe will substantial increase the risk to pedestrians and cause traffic problems.

Dingy/Kayak storage: where will these be launched from? the small beaches either side of North Harbour Marina are already busy and the proposed channel and now proposed dingy/kayak storage will add to the congestion and difficulty to enjoy the waters safely. The addition of kayak/dingy storage will not substantially reduce the amount of craft stored on the beach as many of them have been there for years and years and hardly used. Dingy/kayak storage is expensive and many people prefer to either bring their craft down in a car to the beach or store on the bank or on the racks at 40 Baskets. Again this storage will increase the traffic and parking in the area.

The submission is very much about capital gain without considering the impact on the community and lifestyle afforded by North Harbour.

Kind regards

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