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Please refer to the attached submission objecting to Mod2023/0684.

#### Kind regards

#### Zack Wilson (PIA Assoc.) Town Planner



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Scott Phillips Chief Executive Officer Northern Beaches Council PO Box 82 Manly NSW 1655

By email: council@northernbeaches.nsw.gov.au

Dear Scott,

RE: Mod2023/0684 submission

Assessing Officer: Adam Croft

#### Property: Lot 298 Deposited Plan 721522, Lot 7002 & Lot 7005 Deposited Plan 1117451; 1191 & 1193 Barrenjoey Road, Palm Beach NSW 2108

GLN Planning has been commissioned by Rothmans Pty Ltd. (**Rothmans**), being the registered owner of Lot 5 in Deposited Plan 7656; 10 Waratah Road, Palm Beach NSW 2108 regarding application number Mod2023/0684 (the **Proposal**) lodged by Northern Beaches Council (**Council**) on 20 December 2023 pursuant to Section 4.55(1A) of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979* (**EP&A Act**). The Proposal seeks to amend Notice of Determination of Development Application No. DA2021/0669 (the **Consent**) which approved 'Demolition works and construction of a new restaurant, carparking and associated uses' at the site known as 'The Joey' (formerly known as the 'Boathouse Palm Beach'. The associated uses approved under the Consent include a boat hire business and a seaplane character business.

It is understood the modifications proposed comprise a change to extend the operating hours. According to Councils Application for Modification Assessment Report, the Proposal does not propose any changes to the restaurant, secondary buildings or carparking on site.

As prescribed by Council's *Northern Beaches Community Participation Plan (Plan Making and Development Assessment)*, Rothmans were not notified by Council of the Proposal.

Our brief was to undertake a preliminary assessment of the Proposal and secondly, if concerns were identified, to prepare and lodge a submission with Council.

## 1 Tasks Undertaken

For the purposes of assessing the Proposal and preparing this submission, we have undertaken the following tasks:

• obtained a copy of all relevant documents associated with the DA from Council's Property Search website

- review of all the Proposals pertinent accompanying documents, in particular the Statement of Environmental Effects (SEE) prepared by Lance Doyle (undated)
- review of relevant planning controls
- preliminary assessment of the proposal.

# 2 Statutory Controls

The following Environmental Planning Instruments and Development Control Plan are relevant to the assessment of the Proposal:

- EP&A Act
- Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulation 2021
- Pittwater Local Environmental Plan 2014 (LEP)
- Pittwater 21 Development Control Plan 2004 (as amended 18 January 2021)

Our assessment has identified several issues with the Proposal which would have direct potential impacts on the residents and property of Rothmans and indirectly contribute to the conclusion that the Proposal is not acceptable in its current form. Consequently, we document these concerns in our submission below.

# 3 Characterisation of Use

Under the Consent, the Northern Beaches Local Planning Panel approved 'Demolition works and construction of a new restaurant, carparking and associated uses, including a Voluntary Planning Agreement'.

Pursuant to the Standard Instrument – Principal Local Environmental Plan 2006 (Standard LEP), restaurant or café means a building or place the principal purpose of which is the preparation and serving, on a retail basis, of food and drink to people for consumption on the premises, whether or not liquor, take away meals and drinks or entertainment are also provided, but does not include the preparation and serving of food and drink to people that occurs as part of—

- (a) an artisan food and drink industry, or
- (b) farm gate premises.

Note-

Restaurants or cafes are a type of food and drink premises—see the definition of that term in this Dictionary.

Pursuant to the LEP, *Restaurants or cafes* are permitted with Consent within the RE1 Public Recreation zone, however, are prohibited in the C2 Environmental Conservation zone.

Based on the above definition, it is considered the existing operations of The Joey, and the proposed modifications go beyond what is defined as a restaurant and are better categorised as a function centre. Pursuant to the Standard LEP, *Function centre means a building or place used for the holding of events, functions, conferences and the like, and includes convention centres, exhibition centres and reception centres, but does not include an entertainment facility.* 

Importantly, in this instance, a function centre is **prohibited** in both the RE1 Public Recreation and C2 Environmental Conservation zone under the LEP.

The principal purpose of restaurants and cafes is to sell food and drinks to individuals who enter and consume the food and drinks on the premises. It is a common practice for these types of businesses to provide some form of entertainment while their patrons eat, and drink as well as operate for an ancillary purpose (i.e. weddings). However, if the intended use has a character of its own or it changes the principal use of the premises, then development consent is required, unless that use is exempt or complying development. It may not be carried out though if it is prohibited under an environmental planning instrument.

As per The Joey's website (<u>https://thejoeypalmbeach.com.au/weddings-events/</u>), The Joey offers standup cocktail **events** with exclusive use of the venue for 5 hours for up to 250 guests. If the venue is exclusively booked for events, we contend that it cannot be categorised as a restaurant.

Further, under the Consent, Council did not impose a restriction to the number of events 'The Joey' could host in any given year (i.e. limiting the days of operation to host large gatherings) as it was not intended for The Joey to operate in such capacity. Accordingly, we ask that Council clarify the intended use of The Joey and defer the determination of the Proposal until this information is made available and considered by surrounding residents.

# 4 Noise

As noted in the Environmental Noise Impact Assessment dated 4 October 2023 and prepared by Day Design Pty Ltd., the nearest residences to the site are located circa 600 metres to the north and south. The Assessment also notes The Joey is approved to cater for up to 152 patrons. The areas for patronage are split as 48 indoors, 30 outdoor covered deck seating and 74 on the lower deck seating area. Separately, amplified music is approved to be used within The Joey and will consist of pre-recorded music (e.g. DJ or 'iPod') or small live performances on occasions during functions throughout the daylight savings months of October to March, **only**.

As approved, the following operating hours currently apply as per Condition 96 of the Consent:

The hours of operation outside of daylight savings are to be restricted to:

- Monday to Saturday 7.00am to 4.00pm
- Sunday and Public Holidays 7.00am to 4.00pm.

The hours of operation during daylight savings are to be restricted to:

- Monday to Thursday 7.00am to 4.00pm
- Friday and Saturday 7.00am to 10.00pm
- Sunday 7.00am to 4.00pm.

Further, as noted above, Condition 97 of the Consent restricts the maximum capacity of the restaurant to 152 patrons.

However, according to The Joey's website (refer to **Attachment A**), The Joey offers a five-hour allinclusive **event** package all year-round, with guest arrival from 5:00pm and a 10:00pm event conclusion. Further, The Joey' website promotes itself as suitable to hosting up to 250 guests.

We contend that based on the information The Joey provides on its website, it is operating as a function centre and outside the definition of a restaurant and conditions of the Consent.

Further, Liquor and Gaming NSW requires the following in relation to noise emission from patrons inside licensed premises:

The  $L_{A10}$  noise level emitted from the licensed premises shall not exceed the background noise level in any Octave Band Centre Frequency (31.5 Hz – 8 kHz inclusive) by more than 5 dB between 07:00am and 12:00 midnight at the boundary of any affected residence...

Notwithstanding compliance with the above, the noise from the licensed premises shall not be audible within any habitable room in nay residential premises between the hours of 12:00 midnight and 07:00 am.

However, Section 5.1 of the Environmental Noise Impact Assessment modelled the noise emissions from the use of The Joey for a wedding reception as follows:

• Patrons (50% male and 50% female) talking with a loud voice (10%), talking with a raised voice (20%), talking normally (20%) and the rest are not talking or listening (50%).

Importantly, the assessment fails to consider all noise levels potentially emitted from 'The Joey' (e.g. singing as well as more than 50% of patrons emitting noise). Considering the specific environmental characteristics of the site (e.g. over Pittwater where noise levels have a greater propensity to travel greater distances (especially at night), we contend further assessment of the true nature of The Joey is warranted to ensure noise levels are not audible within any habitable rooms in any residential premises (regardless of if the window and doors are open) in any area at any time of the day.

Separately, Condition 92 of the Consent requires music and any amplified equipment including microphones to be restricted to the conditions as set out in the "Environmental Noise Impact Assessment Reconstruction of the Station Beach Boat House Palm Beach 1191 Barrenjoey Road, Palm Beach, NSW" including restriction of music between 7am and 4pm, 7 days and only Friday and Saturday between 4pm and 10pm between the months of October and March. No music is to be audible within any habitable rooms in any residential premises in the area.

Accordingly, is noted that Condition 92 of the Consent is not proposed to be modified and the relevant operational conditions will remain in force (i.e. music and amplified equipment will remain restricted between 7am to 4pm, 7 days and only Friday and Saturday between 4pm and 10pm between the months of October and March).

Finally, noting the current and proposed use of The Joey, the Environmental Noise Impact Assessment does not consider the combined effect of 152 patrons (potentially 250) leaving the site at 11pm when ambient background noise levels are lower.

# 5 Objector Appeal

The NSW Land and Environment Court (**LEC**) has jurisdiction to hear and dispose of appeals under Section 8.8 of the EP&A Act by objectors who are dissatisfied by a consent authority's determination to grant consent to an application.

An objector appeal can only be made to the Court when (inclusively):

- the development application, or an application to modify development consents, has been made to a consent authority
- the objector made a submission objecting to the development application during the assessment period
- the consent authority has given consent to the application and the objector is dissatisfied with the consent authority's determination.

# 6 Conclusion

We have reviewed the available documentation and have determined that there are a number of key issues that warrants raising objections to the Proposal in its current form. The proposal involves significant impacts to amenity if not properly addressed during Council's assessment and we contend Council should defer the determination of the Proposal until further information can be supplied, and a subsequent assessment be undertaken. These potential impacts have been outlined in detail above.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours faithfully

#### **GLN PLANNING PTY LTD**



ZACK WILSON SENIOR TOWN PLANNER



# NJOEY BOATSHED WEDDINGS & EVENTS

PALM BEACH

# BARRENJOEY BOATSHED



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## WEDDING & EVENT PACKAGE

Thank you for exploring the newly renovated Barrenjoey Boatshed as an option for your special day.

Our award-winning chefs and welcoming team will ensure that your event is looked after from enquiry through to your last dance of the evening.

Barrenjoey Boatshed is a truly special, iconic location and the perfect place for making lifelong memories.



# THE PACKAGE

At Barrenjoey Boatshed, we offer standup cocktail style events for your special day. Our all-inclusive weddings packages start from \$250 per person.

However, if sit-down is your preferred style, please contact our events team and we will try our best to accommodate.

# PACKAGE INCLUSIONS

- Exclusive use of the venue for 5 hours (5:00pm - 10:00pm)
- Food & Beverage package
- Basic florals
- Venue furniture
- Display tables (cake table / gift table)
- Coffee & Tea stations
- Air Conditioning / Heating
- In-house audio equipment
- Additional 1 hour of bump-in time
- Dedicated Events Team

## CAPACITY

Barrenjoey Boatshed is suitable to host up to 250 guests for your special day.

### TIMING

Barrenjoey Boatshed offers a five hour allinclusive event package all year-round.

Guest arrival is from 5:00pm with a 10:00pm event conclusion.

If you require venue hire outside of the package times, please contact us to discuss alternative options.

## HOW TO GET THERE

We recommend private vehicles or hired coaches to transport your guests to and from Barrenjoey Boatshed.

We are located in Palm Beach, part of Sydney's Northern Beaches (1 hour from Sydney CBD).

# MINIMUM SPEND REQUIREMENTS

A minimum spend is required for weddings and events at Barrenjoey Boatshed:

Friday & Saturday requires a minimum spend of \$22,000. Sunday to Thursday requires a minimum spend of \$18,000.

In the unlikely event that you are unable to meet the minimum spend required, a deficit tariff will be charged.

# PARKING

Barrenjoey Boatshed is surrounded by public parking. Parking is free after 7pm.

## VENDORS:

We are more than happy to assist you in selecting the perfect vendors for your event. Please see our preferred vendors list on page 11.



# CANAPE PACKAGE

We can assist you to curate a menu that suits your event perfectly. Please note menus may change due to seasonal availability.

Choice of 6x Bites and 4x Substantials canapé options:

# SEAFOOD

# MEAT

#### BITES

GIN CURED TROUT avocado

KINGFISH CRUDO citrus

TUNA TARTARE goat's curd, mint

#### SUBSTANTIALS

BANANA PRAWN ROLL brown butter

CALAMARI FRITTO prawn emulsion

FISH & CHIPS tartare sauce, lemon

BITES

BEEF TARTARE beetroot, peppercorn

TARTLET chicken liver parfait

LAMB MEATBALL labneh

#### UBSTANTIALS

CHEESEBURGER SLIDER boatshed sauce

PORK BELLY chilli caramel, horseradish cream

CHICKEN POPCORN honey, aioli

# VEGETARIAN

#### BITES

STRACCIATELLA watermelon, mint

ARANCINI mushroom, truffle

CROQUETTE cheese, grape

#### SUBSTANTIALS

POTATO GNOCCHI pesto, parmesan

ZUCCHINI FLOWER four cheeses

EGGPLANT miso, togarashi

## VEGAN

#### BITES

PUMPKIN HUMMUS celery, pepitas

TARTLET smoked almond, pea

BEETROOT MOUSSE macadamia cheese, grains

#### SUBSTANTIALS

FALAFEL avocado, mint

MUHAMMARA pomegranate, pita

GUACAMOLE fresh herbs, tortillas

DESSERT seasonal desserts will also be included.

# FOOD ADD-ONS

(prices are per person at additional charge)

# CHEESE & CHARCUTERIE STATION (\$18)

#### CHEESE

double brie cheddar goat's marinated feta blue

#### CONDIMENTS

wild honeycomb dried fruit mixed nuts crackers grapes quince paste

#### CHARCUTERIE

prosciutto salami bresaola mortadella copacola sopressa

#### CONDIMENTS

olives cornichons caper berries guindillas sourdough

# OYSTER STATION (\$22)

freshly shucked oysters bloody mary shots mignonette lemon

## SEAFOOD STATION (\$26)

(all dishes are served cold) kingfish crudo tuna tartare salmon rillette snapper ceviche condiments

# PAËLLA STATION (\$26)

fresh seafood chicken chorizo lemon

## SWEET STATION (\$12)

(in addition to seasonal desserts
already included)
lemon tart
chocolate tart
fruit plate
basque cheesecake
tiramisu

# BENERAGE

PACKAGES include free flowing drinks from the package chosen for five hours. Wines may change due to seasonal availability.

# CLASSIC

SPARKLING Bandini Prosecco NV Veneto Italy

WHITE Aquilani Pinot Grigio 2022 Friuli Italy

ROSÉ Nick Spencer Rosé 2022 Gundagai NSW

RED Lighthand Pinot Noir 2023 Yarra Valley VIC

TAP BEER Hahn SuperDry Stone & Wood Pacific Ale Heineken Avalon Brewery Pale Ale

HOUSE SOFT DRINKS

# PREMIUM

(\$90 per person at additional charge)

SPARKLING Moët & Chandon Impérial Brut NV Épernay France

WHITE Aquilani Pinot Grigio 2022 Friuli Italy

Tyrell's Chardonnay 2022 Hunter Valley NSW

ROSÉ Minuty M de Minuty 2022 Provence France

RED Lighthand Pinot Noir 2023 Yarra Valley VIC

Collector Cherry Orchard Shiraz 2022 Hilltops NSW

TAP BEER Hahn SuperDry Stone & Wood Pacific Ale Heineken Avalon Brewery Pale Ale

HOUSE SOFT DRINKS

# COCKTAILS

(\$28 per person per hour at additional charge)

JOEY'S MARGARITAS Espolon Blanco tequila, Manly Spirits triple sec, lime classic | spicy | tommy's

GARDEN SPRITZ Chandon Garden, grapefruit, wild berry, hibiscus, soda

LIMONCELLO SPRITZ Manly Spirits limoncello, yuzu, prosecco, earl grey

THE JOEY ICED TEA Belvedere Pure vodka, peach, chamomile, soda, watermelon

MARITIME MARTINI Manly Spirits Marine Botanical vodka, lychee, sea grape

AUSSIE 75 Four Pillars Rare Dry gin, yuzu, <u>elderflow</u>er, prosecco, lemon myrtle

GOING TROPPO Havana Club Especial rum, mango Campari, pineapple, vanilla

# PREFERRED VENDORS

#### PHOTOGRAPHERS

#### VIDEOGRAPHERS

https://www.ripplefilm.com.au

https://www.honeylane.com.au

http://joyrideweddings.com

CELEBRANTS

https://marryusgary.com.au

https://alexmarks.com.au

https://clairebelford.com.au

https://www.ripplefilm.com.au

https://www.aniellabatten.com

MUSICIANS

https://kahunaduo.com.au

https://www.duanandonly.com

https://themakehaus.com.au

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https://bygigi.com.au

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