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RE: DA2020/1453 - 4 Collaroy Street COLLAROY NSW 2097

As a 62-year old Collaroy resident, having grown up on Collaroy Plateau and lived on the Northern Beaches all my life (the past 8 years on The Avenue, Collaroy), I write in support of the proposed development at 4 Collaroy Street and 1 Alexander Street, Collaroy - (DA2020/1453).

The outlined area is in dire need of an upgrade, in keeping with the surrounding areas of the Collaroy Basin, The Avenue, the renovated Collaroy Hotel and Beach Club and the recently upgraded Long Reef Headland walk and the Collaroy Beachfront and playground.

Premium apartment living, attractive retail shops, restaurants and cafes in this part of Collaroy, will appeal to families and corporate executives as somewhere exciting to live, whilst also being an area to be enjoyed by the locals - who already love the area - and Northern Beaches residents beyond Collaroy.

As a member of the Col Crawford Motors family for the 53+ years we have been on the Northern Beaches, I feel that this development upgrade will give a boost to small local businesses, whilst keeping the current village atmosphere.

The additional off-street parking being proposed is a major plus and very much needed to take cars off Alexander Street and Pittwater Road.

In my opinion, removing the Backpacker element from Collaroy would be a major coup. This prime real-estate position in beautiful Collaroy is wasted on young transient travellers, who don't have the financial means to offer much support to local business owners (with the exception of the bottle shop)! Unfortunately, an element of them also cause trouble in the area, which would be eliminated.

The beautification of this section of Collaroy would be fantastic and I can only see it as a positive outcome.