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**RE: DA2019/1260 - 29 North Avalon Road AVALON BEACH NSW 2107**

I have concerns about the developmental proposal.

This is zoned a low density living area and it is being completely disregarded.

The 2 blocks that have been purchased are rich with native trees that are the home for local wildlife. Already trees marked on the plan as keepers have been removed. That is aside from the other 46 trees. That is a LOT of trees. Is there any proposal to plant and establish large native trees- at least 46 of them elsewhere to compensate? And what about the wildlife? The privacy? Protecting the environment?

These trees give privacy, are homes for native wildlife. The blocks I am sure as do others in the area are also home to other ground native animals- all habits that will have no chance of re establishing if 10 units are placed here rather than 2 homes.

My concern also is regarding the area. This is a suburban area- there is minimal footpaths (which we enjoy as it is space where we have large trees that again house native fauna) and the children can walk barefoot home from the beach, no nearby bus stop (the school buses can barely navigate the streets) nor GP within walking distance for such a proposal. We like the area as it is. It is an unsuitable location for multi unit medium density development and it is not needed in this location.

The area is large land blocks with homes for young families. The proposal is removal of 2 homes and replacing that with 10. This is a massive change to the area. And moving it away from family- friendly permanent low density living to medium density (and potentially transient) housing. Yes we do need medium density down grading housing for the mature members of the community however it makes more sense to be in an area with other 'like' housing where they can have support and the development is part of and will blend in with the community. It will not here.

Already the narrow streets are congested both sides with cars, trailers and boats parked on the street, not to mention visitors to Bangally headland. To add an additional 10 residents (regardless of parking they have) to this will make the corner especially at Marine Pde and North Avalon rd more tough and dangerous than what it is.

The developers have complete disregard for the community and their concerns- which is blatantly obvious already with them removing trees already that were to remain.

And then they are proposing to remove MORE trees that house local wildlife for footpaths! Why?

As a community member, the reason I purchased and live in this area is for its large blocks, trees, native wildlife and youthful community- being close to schools for our children. I believe most people who live in this area are there for the same reason- not to have all of this removed for the sake of development.

Please keep this pocket of the community low density as long as possible- there are other areas developers can go that are more willing and acceptable and indeed established for such developments.

It will be a hard decision and one in which a substantial amount of money has been invested.

Are you prepared to make a tough decision and support a low density community passionate about their wild life? Or is it purely a financial decision which it appears to be to the local community?

Thank you for your consideration and time.

Katherine