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RE: DA2020/0514 - 1 B Bolingbroke Parade FAIRLIGHT NSW 2094

As a resident directly behind Manly Boatshed, I am writing to express my strong concern as to how a redevelopment will affect parking for residents on Bolingbroke Parade and the walkway.

I have resided at Unit 4 / 55 Esplanade Park Parade, Fairlight 2094 directly behind the Manly boatshed for the last 15 years. Effectively, our unit block is on the Manly to Spit scenic walkway, referred to as Esplanade Park Parade.

When I first purchased my apartment in 2005, we had dedicated parking for the residents of the unit block in front of my apartment along the Esplanade and we were able to drive to our front door.

In 2008, Manly Council decided to turn our parking area into a dedicated walkway on the Spit to Manly walk. They did this despite having a legal agreement in place since 1983 that said they would not remove vehicle access to the properties until re-development of the lot was undertaken. Although we fought this decision at council, our parking and access was taken away with no compensation and no parking solution. Since that time, with no dedicated parking, I often struggle to find anywhere to park my car in the neighbouring streets, sometimes having to travel over 1km to park my car near my apartment. This is particular true in summer when many people come to make use of the boatshed and walkway.

At least 5 nights out of 7 I am required to park over 600m away from my apartment or park at the top of a hill with more than 300 steps to reach the nearest access point. Street parking by the walkway is consistently being occupied by dog walkers, joggers, kayakers and picnickers and is busy every day of the week, from dawn to dusk. Having read the proposal that suggests there is currently ample parking is not a true reflection of the situation we are constantly faced with as residents.

I am one of 8 residencies that all have this issue (Building 55 has 4 apartments and building 57 has another 4 apartments). Between us we have approximately 10-12 vehicles that are parked on Bolingbroke Parade, most of us with young families who are juggling children, shopping and prams.

I implore you to examine the redevelopment in light of the issue of parking in the area. The opportunity to create diagonal parking along the eastern side of Bolingbroke Parade could help create another 8 parking spots, if the verge was re-developed. But in its current state, the cul de sac is a stress point and additional traffic would create a difficult and pressured situation for local residents.

Sincerely,

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