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**Subject:** TRIMMED: Shop Top Housing Development, 1102 Barrenjoey Rd, Palm Beach  
**Attachments:** Shop Top Housing Development, Palm Beach.pdf;

Please see attached objections regarding this proposal.

11 April 2024

To: [REDACTED]

Cc: [Council@northernbeaches.nsw.gov.au](mailto:Council@northernbeaches.nsw.gov.au)

Re: Shop Top Housing Development, 1102 Barrenjoey Rd, Palm Beach

Having owned property and resided in Palm Beach since 1977, I am very distressed by the current proposal and planned overdevelopment for this site. The developers and architects must operate with a maxim along the lines of 'greed is good', for they are attempting to utilise every square centimetre of the site to maximise floor space and potential profit, regardless of the resulting inappropriateness of their creation for this important and special gateway location. I regularly jog the streets of this suburb, and have done so for more than 45 years, and I am nowadays often stopped by overseas tourists wanting directions to find Summer Bay. Palm Beach has somehow managed to retain much of the quiet and low-key charm of coastal beach villages from bygone days, and it is this unique quality which has attracted admiration from both residents and tourists. This proposal would probably be considered an overdevelopment and eyesore even in Chatswood, but it is certainly way out of character for Palm Beach. This commercial section of Barrenjoey Road is the gateway to the Ocean and Pittwater beaches, as well as Governor Phillip Park and the Barrenjoey Headland National Park. This commercial section should be designed to blend in with the existing buildings and terrain, and to reflect the environment in which it is situated, not to stand out like a Luna Park clown face!

This proposal needs to be greatly scaled back in terms of its height, width and depth. It is completely unacceptable to residents as it is currently proposed, it will only serve to degrade the appeal and experience of Palm Beach for visitors and residents, and will set a dangerous precedent for further overdevelopment of other properties in the commercial area.

Sincerely,

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