
From: Chris Smith
Sent: 22/04/2022 5:16:10 PM
To: Council Northernbeaches Mailbox
Subject: Re notice of proposed development REV2022/0004

FAO Maxwell Duncan

Hi there Maxwell and thanks for the letter advising of a review for 16 Bangaroo Street , North Balgowlah

I'm aware that there has been a few iterations of this and read the previous proposals, reasons for refusal and now re-submission

As I understand it there will be 3 members of staff and 12 children - and for that 3 off street parking spaces

I don't see how that's realistic given how cars are utilised on the Northern Beaches for school runs, grabbing a coffee, dodging the rain or generally avoiding walking

In addition to that, transporting young children in cars requires time and space when you are getting them in and out of the vehicle - more time and space than a solo adult requires. That's completely understandable and we've all been there but it means that it's not a quick kiss and drop - space for access, time for buckling, unbuckling car seats, getting the necessary gear out of the car, etc

We already have an issue slightly further up Bangaroo Street at the junction with Winsome Avenue

Recently a no parking zone has been established to try and reduce the danger to traffic and pedestrians looking to access Bangaroo from Winsome.

There's a no stopping sign but no yellow line so we still get vehicles parking there and as both a driver and a parent it's a danger to me, my family and friends as basically you have to take your life in your hands and pull out into the middle of Bangaroo to see on coming traffic.

Lots of near misses and it's only a matter of time before the worst happens.

So by having an expectation that 3 staff and 12 kids will use only 3 parking spaces is an under estimate - a more likely scenario is that far more cars than spaces will cause parking issues in the vicinity of 16 Bangaroo including the no parking zone at the junction of Winsome Avenue

Happy to discuss further if you'd like and my details are below

Thanks for your consideration

Chris Smith

