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RE: Mod2022/0275 - 1 Drew Place BELROSE NSW 2085

Dear Anne-Marie,

I would like to submit an objection to Mod2022/0275 - DA2020/1072.

Particularly the request to delete clause 12(a)

"a) A planter box with an internal dimension of 600mm x 400mm is to be provided located adjacent to northern balustrade of the balconies for Units 5 and 6. Climbers to be planted into the planter boxes with wires or trellis provided 400mm above the top of the balustrade to encourage the climber to provide visual softening and enhanced privacy to adjoining properties."

"This submission also requests deletion of condition 12(a) on the basis that appropriate levels of privacy and built form screening are afforded through a combination of spatial separation and the implementation of the approved site landscape regime. Compliance with condition 12(a) is not only unreasonable and unnecessary but also potentially dangerous in the creation of a climbable structure immediately adjacent to the required balustrading. We are advised that the works required by condition 12(a) will not comply with the BCA in relation to the installation and performance of the required balustrading and accordingly this condition should be deleted."

I was very disappointed to hear they thought the clause "unreasonable and unnecessary" because when their representative talked to us about the privacy issues this development would cause (as the living room window of Unit 6 looks directly into one of our bedrooms, hallway and will overlook our main outdoor living area) they were very eager to point out the inclusion of privacy screens and they were "taking this issue seriously".

I find the reason "potentially dangerous in the creation of a climbable structure immediately adjacent to the required balustrading" very flimsy and patronising. I am very confident that there is an array of screening options that can be used that won't create a climbable hazard for the senior residents, relying on climbing plants for screening is not a permanent solution.

I also hold concerns that they will remove the vegetation shown in figure 2, which will expose our property even more. The boundary fence is in very bad repair and should this need to be replaced a sizable portion of this vegetation will have to be removed.

I am happy for you to visit our property again if this helps with a solution.