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RE: DA2025/0132 - 37 Roseberry Street BALGOWLAH NSW 2093

Dear Council Members,

I am writing to formally object to Development Application DA2025/0132, which proposes the construction of a McDonald's restaurant, including a drive-through facility, at 37 Roseberry Street, Balgowlah.

1. Traffic Congestion and Safety Concerns

The proposed site is located at an already congested intersection, adjacent to major retailers such as Woolworths, Aldi, Bunnings, and Harvey Norman. The addition of a high-traffic fast-food outlet is likely to exacerbate existing traffic issues, leading to increased delays and potential safety hazards for pedestrians and motorists alike .

2. Proximity to Existing Fast-Food Outlets

There is an existing KFC directly across the road, and several other McDonald's outlets within a short distance, including locations at Warringah Mall and Brookvale. The introduction of another fast-food establishment in close proximity raises concerns about the over-saturation of such businesses in the area.

3. Impact on Local Character and Aesthetics

Balgowlah is known for its community-oriented atmosphere and aesthetic appeal. The construction of a large, 24-hour fast-food restaurant could undermine the area's character, leading to a decline in property values and altering the community's unique identity.

4. Environmental and Health Implications

The operation of a McDonald's at this location may contribute to increased litter, noise pollution, and unhealthy dietary options, particularly concerning given the proximity to local schools. This could have adverse effects on both the environment and public health.

5. Community Opposition

A significant number of local residents have expressed opposition to this development, as evidenced by a petition garnering over 1,000 signatures . This level of community concern should be a critical factor in the Council's decision-making process.

In light of these considerations, I urge the Council to reject Development Application DA2025/0132 to preserve the safety, character, and well-being of the Balgowlah community.

Thank you for considering my submission.