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RE: DA2021/0680 - 16 Bangaroo Street NORTH BALGOWLAH NSW 2093

Dear Penny,

I object to the proposal for 16 Bangaroo St, North Balgowlah, the fact that this was withdrawn previously and they have made no real changes to the proposal aside from dropping a few children and bringing in commercial waster disposal (more noise and traffic) is ridiculous, the community has overwhelming disapproved of this proposal and will continue to. The fact that there has been no consideration for the residents in this area is astounding and this has no benefit whatsoever to our community, the profit goes to the owners who don't even live in this area. Listen to the residents and community, we don't need or want this in our area. There are many reasons to oppose this, not only the fact that your own council reports have said that the proposal is inadequate should be enough.

Residential area

Centre operational hours - these may be operational hours but what are the hours outside of these hours to allow for educators to set up, cleaners, pack up, commercial rubbish collection, deliveries etc.

Traffic

Bangaroo is already a main road in area and incredibly busy, both as a thorough fair and also for school drop off and pick up, opening hours of the centre coincide with the busiest times of the day in this area, which will just create more traffic jams, hazards in an already busy area. Increase in traffic stopping from parents and suppliers stopping to drop children off and pick up, and deliveries. There is currently no parking so this will impact traffic flow and create more hazards and traffic.

Insufficient parking at centre - to state the parking requirements are only for the person running the centre and for parents is fundamentally wrong there will be employees who need to park and they will inevitably park in the street where there is little to no parking as is.

Opposite bus stop - the danger that this creates for buses stopping, people especially child walking to school, there is no space for an additional 20 families for pick up and drop off in this area, the stated 247 car spots are completely fictional, I would love to see where those spots are, as they do not exist on a normal day in this area. We live in Worrobil St, it states there are 63 car spaces in our street, that may well be but at almost spot is a resident who parks there car on the street in front of their house, we do not have space for visitors or deliveries on any given day so there is not sufficient space to have another 20 cars morning and afternoon trying to find parking.

Insufficient street parking - report suggests everyone will leave for work (when everyone is

WFH) the majority of people in this area work from a large portion of their time and so day time parking doesn't change a lot to evening parking.

Safety

Only footpath is the same side as the road with children walking to and from school with cars going in and out of the driveway creates a huge risk and hazard, with people reversing out into Barangaroo it is so incredibly dangerous.

We walk our son who is in kindergarten to school every day, there is already safety issues with the amount of cars and the speed they drive in and around these streets especially by the roundabout this is a huge safety concern given the amount of traffic and cars around. People stop and pull in and out of people's driveways trying to find car parking as it is. We do not need to add to the extra traffic in this area.

Noise

Most people WFH a large portion of time now- we personally work from home 99% of the time, the noise that we will hear from the centre will be completely unacceptable and detrimental to our normal work day, we can already hear the school which is much further away. The amount of noise that 8 children in the backyard will create in that small space will deeply impact our living and working on a daily basis which is completely unacceptable. Let alone the noise we will hear from the house with 20 children.

Noise report states above acceptable levels - it has already stated the noise levels are above acceptable how can you consider allowing this? This is a residential area not built for a childcare centre.

Plan seems inadequate

Impossible to control noise of children - you cannot control as described in this proposal, if more than one or two children making noise you cannot control that, have they ever dealt with children before?

Will get down to "children's level to quietly ask them to be quiet"? this statement is incredibly naïve and unrealistic.

Have complaint system where owner will address concerns, yet owner has not engaged neighbourhood on proposal - the owner has not engaged the community in this at all, we are prime candidates for the childcare centre as we have two small children, yet we have not been consulted at all, and if we were we would tell them there is no requirement for a childcare centre in this area, there are substantial requirements for the area and that they are purpose build centres to accommodate children's needs.

We have 2 small children and no assessment of need for centre done (we will not be using centre) we have our children in day care away from our house so that we can work as we cannot with the noise or distraction of children, which is what this will be.

Notification map

Suggest council expands this - we are closer to the centre than some properties on the notification map and yet weren't informed

Statement of environmental effects

3.2 to alleviate congestion "Parents will be allocated a 10 minute drop off time in the morning and 15 minute pick up time in the afternoon."

24 children * 10 minutes = 4 hour drop off → not feasible (and doesn't even take into account pick-up)

The time slots would have to disproportionately overlap and therefore this would not alleviate congestion

It is also very unrealistic, if you have ever tried to drop children at childcare, you will know it

changes day to day and you cannot limit it to 10mins, therefore there will be alot of overlap.

Thank you,
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