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**To:** Council Northernbeaches Mailbox **Subject:** TRIMMED: Objection to DA2024/1303

Attachments: My objection to DA.docx;

Adam Croft Planning & Development Assessor Northern Beaches Council

Dear Mr Croft

The Attachment is my objection to DA2024/1303.

If possible, but not essential, would you consider blacking out my name and email address.

Kind Regards,



Adam Croft
Planning & Development Assessor
Northern Beaches Council

Dear Mr Croft,

I refer to DA2024/1303: 20-22 Melwood Avenue: Redevelopment of Forestville RSL.

Please accept this as my strong objection to the above DA. I wholeheartedly agree with all the other complaints about this community hostile redevelopment.

Members and the community were not allowed to see the DA until it appeared on the NBC website. I was absolutely shocked to see that such an inappropriate, ugly, concrete jungle could ever be contemplated for this important and beautiful Forestville location. Such a retirement village is especially inappropriate for that particular spot as it will be right in the centre and look into so many of the community's amenities for young children.

As a long-time local resident and member of Forestville RSL, I also agree with others who believe that if the DA is approved it will completely dominate and destroy Forestville.

The makeup of Forestville and Killarney Heights has largely become young families, and these young families love the current club with its wonderful large outdoor family gathering facility. What's more, there is simply no other licenced venue in either suburb where such a large number of families can meet and interact as they do now at the current club.

Looking at the DA, it appears that the sole purpose of this redevelopment is get rid of these huge numbers of families from the club to cater to poker machine players in a tiny, dingy new club enclosed in a retirement village. Only a fraction of the families that now use the club can even fit in the new proposed club.

The question must be asked, why was such an objectionable DA sent to the NBC?

It seems that every planning regulation and acceptable community and environmental concept that could be breached has been breached in the DA. The NBC consultants and the Design and Sustainability Advisory Panel have done an excellent job in highlighting those breaches.

For the sake of Forestville and Killarney Heights, and all families in the community, I hope this terrible DA redevelopment is rejected outright and is never heard of again.

Regards and thank you for your time,