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Subject: DA 2020/0552 - 181 Allambie Road, Allambie Heights.

I strongly object to the abovenamed development application.

I have been a resident of Allambie Heights, living in Southern Cross Way on the perimeter of Manly Warringah War Memorial Park, for over fifty years. In recent times I have been seeing regular encroachments into this bushland reserve. This current proposal (which I could call "Ardel revisited") is yet another such encroachment.

This is CROWN LAND. It is outrageous that yet another organisation can clear bushland and build solid structures with associated AZPs for over 55's accommodation.

The reasons for my objection are too lengthy to detail, so I will just summarise with a few points.

1. Crown Land is OUR land. Why should it be carved up and handed over to any organisation who wants to develop it?
2. Flora and fauna. The land in question is in the vicinity of the "Madison" village and similar species of flora and fauna to those eradicated with this development exist on the site of the current DA, many of these endangered.
3. Bushfires. The land is at the top of the catchment and is in one of the more dangerous sites for building in the reserve as we know that fires spread more quickly uphill. There is only one way out - Allambie Road - and the building site is well back from this road. Not at all suitable for "seniors".
4. Waterways. Curl Curl Creek is the main feeder creek of fresh water into Manly Dam and has a remnant population of Climbing Galaxias fish, still hanging on in the face of all the incursions of suburbia. It is the only known population still existing in Sydney and is thought to have survived in this creek for 60 million years.
5. Manly Dam is currently suitable for swimming on most days of the year. It will not take much more runoff and pollution to change this status.
6. This is a War Memorial Park, set aside as a living memorial to lives lost, not for developers to commercialise.

I object to any further building, clearing of trees and bushland, introduction of run-off and pollution from development on the perimeter of the reserve and any other incursions which will affect the bushland detrimentally.

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