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RE: DA2021/2173 - 394 Barrenjoey Road NEWPORT NSW 2106

I wholly support this development application.

The current building built in the 1930's is no longer fit for the purpose of modern surf lifesaving, it was built prior to the introduction of all modern lifesaving equipment including fibreglass boards, tubes, IRBs, Jetskis, UAV's, Portable Oxygen and Defibrilators. The introduction of modern rescue equipment and techniques require a facility to cater for storage, maintenance and training in an environment that is fit for purpose.

The current building was also built well before the club took on the role of running a nippers and special needs nippers program that take on the important work of "water proofing" the children of the local and sometimes non local areas.

All of these changes and the increase in membership over the years means that an expansion of the clubhouse is long overdue.

Ongoing issues with the current facility include sheds that leak water through into areas storing state of the art rescue equipment, electrical circuits that commonly fail during rain and a general lack of space to store the equipment needed to maintain a rescue ready team of surf lifesavers.

I believe the proposed development reaches an adequate compromise between the need for modern facilities required for the operation of one of the countries leading surf lifesaving clubs, while at the same time maintaining the link to the clubs history and its impact on the local community