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RE: DA2021/1164 - 521 Barrenjoey Road BILGOLA BEACH NSW 2107

I note and fully support the high level of community concern at opposition to this Development Application. There are well over 120 submissions in opposition to date, which indicates the level of concern this DA is causing residents of Newport, Avalon Beach, Clareville, Whale Beach and Palm Beach and those in other surrounding suburbs. In particular, I commend the details and reasoned submission made by Sue Martin; however, other examples abound in submissions already made.

This DA is concerning for its comprehensive non-compliance across multiple controls. I object to the loss of trees on this E4 zoned, EEC identified land. The DA proposes removal of the existing soil profile and interrupts the almost contiguous green vegetation that extends from north Newport to the Plateau Road/Barrenjoey Rd, Avalon intersection. It will destroy the wildlife corridor that currently exists. It does not achieve the objectives of either the current Pittwater LEP or DCP and runs directly against the intent of the E4 Environmental Living zoning.

I am particularly concerned with documented non-compliance regarding bulk, scale, height, amenity for neighbours, local residents and visitors, incursions onto the already narrow road reserve, and traffic issues surrounding the build that will inevitably affect access to and egress from all suburbs north of Newport.

I am also concerned regarding the negative precedent this DA will set if approved for any future developments along this stretch of main road, which should never have been zoned Residential by Warringah Council, considering its steepness, sensitivity and lack of safe road access.

There is a long history of drainage and land slip events along this section of road. The proposed 31 metres of built form is excessive in the extreme and if landslides were to occur during the build, would significantly impact the main access road into the far northern villages of Pittwater and all travellers who use it, including emergency vehicles and public transport. I do not consider that widening or straightening the road, or constructing a footpath to assist the developer in his DA quest, is warranted, practical, affordable or desirable, and would only worsen the negative impact.

I urge NBC to reject this DA and seriously consider rezoning all remaining vacant land along this stretch of road as Crown Land or Reserve to reflect the ecological values and traffic access issues for northern Pittwater communities.