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Re: DA2021/1176 - Lot 1 DP 634291 - [201 McCarrs Creek Rd Church Point](#)

DA Description: Construction of a driveway & associated works

I would like to lodge my strong objection to this Development Application on a number of grounds.

Firstly, this steep hillside where the proposed driveway and associated earthworks is planned was up until recently a heavy vegetated area with beautiful endemic trees which included many mature Casuarina & Turpentine Trees to just name a few.

These were all illegally cleared without council approval in and around March of 2021.

It appears as though all the trees were illegally cleared to accommodate the proposed driveway and associated earthworks.

The hillside is now denude of all vegetation which has resulted in erosion of the topsoil as sediments wash down the hillside when it rains.

This hillside up until then was covered in vegetation that would slow down the run off of water when it rained.

The proposed driveway would also cut deep into the land which would stop the native animals from crossing the property. These include Swamp Wallabies and echidnas to just name a few.

This is totally unacceptable as the animals would be forced to go down to and onto busy McCarrs creek Rd to cross the property from neighbouring blocks.

The proposed works are also unnecessary.

The property already has a double garage and hard stand for Vehicles.

Plus an approved inclinor (approved by Pittwater council in 2003) to get up to the residence from the garage on the southern side of the property.

If this DA is approved the property will now have the infrastructure in place for possible subdivision of the block at a later date.

No residence should have two seperate places to house their vehicles.

From the plans provided vehicles will be housed under the residence and in the existing garage further down the hill plus seperate handstands to park vehicles along the driveway.

It is also noted that the applicant has also put in an application for modifications to a previously approved application to move the inclinator to another location on the other side of the property.

This should not be aloud as the proposed new positioning would free up the area on the southern side of the property for future development. Possibly future subdivision of the land to allow access to the back of the block.

This should not be aloud as it would set a precedent for future development along McCarrs Creek Rd which is out of character for the area and the desired streetscape.

Also I question the gradient of the block for council to allow this driveway???

Can emergency vehicles etc. navigate this driveway in an emergency..

The driveway will also act as a funnel that would send water went it rains rushing down the driveway and onto MCCarrs Creek Rd and the properties below in events of prolonged periods of rains which do happen every 10 years or so.

In conclusion I believe this Development Application should be refused by Northern Beaches council.

Regards,
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