
Sent: 4/06/2019 11:23:51 PM
Subject: 149 Riverview Road, Avalon, DA 2019 - 3rd Submission seeking further information by Mr Clive Steirn, an interested party.
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Ms Carly Sawyer,
Senior Administration Officer,
Northern Beaches Council

Dear Ms Sawyer

I refer to your response dated 4 June 2019 acknowledging my 'submission'. I in fact made two submissions: the first was dated 19 May and second dated 21 May, 2019 which materially qualifies the first submission. I note, however that only my first submission dated 19 May has been recorded on Council's tracking system. Both submissions should be recorded on the public record in the interests of transparency and accountability by Council otherwise my first submission is misleading as it does not reflect my present position.

Further, given that you have only referred to my 'submission' in the singular and without reference to either letter, I am not quite sure which submission Council will take into account. Obviously, it should be both, together with this third submission. Please make this clear.

One of the purposes of the Act you refer to, is to ensure accountability by Council. In this regard I have already noted the letter by Mr Robertson dated 18 April 2018, Maritime (one of the interested parties by regulation). The letter raises an issue concerning another interested party, (me) involving a navigational issue directly concerning my own jetty. At the present moment I do not have a clue what Mr Robertson is referring to. It would appear that Council is aware as an interested party, yet I as another interested party is being kept in the dark. As I pointed out in my second letter as a matter of procedural fairness I am entitled to know the issue raised by Mr Robertson as it is directly relevant and may affect my own rights and interests in my jetty as it affects me.

It is not to the point that "Council will not enter into correspondence in respect of any submission due to the large number of submissions Council receives annually". Council cannot abrogate it's responsibilities under the Act simply by saying it deals with large numbers of correspondence and therefore will not respond. It has a duty to do so. What is to the point Council has an obligation to act fairly as Council is obliged to do pursuant to the Act which includes dealing with further information being made available to interested parties. Otherwise the system of public accountability and the reflected rights of interested parties are rendered otiose if those interested parties are not given all relevant material.

As Council has acknowledged, I have a right to make a submission as an interested party. Obviously, I can only make such a submission on an informed basis as one of the interested parties to the subject application if all relevant material is made available to me. Self evidently the issue raised by Mr Robertson is directly relevant to me.

It follows that Council needs to deal with my request for the information referring to the issue in a positive and transparent way by providing me with the material requested in my previous letter dated 21 May 2019 and for the information of all concerned parties.

As this email letter amounts to yet a third and further submission by me I respectfully request

that this letter, together with my second submission dated 21 May 2019, should also be recorded on Council's tracking system in accordance with the Act and Regulations. These two letters are additional to my first submission dated 19 May 2019, which I note has been recorded.

I note your invitation to contact Council by phone if I have any queries. However, I am presently overseas and in a different time zone and therefore this avenue is not practical whereas email letters are.

I apologise for not responding by way of an attached letter which is my preferred option, as you will note I am overseas and not in a position to do so.

I await your response.

Yours faithfully

Clive Steirn
147 Riverview Road,
Avalon.

Sent from my iPad

On 4 Jun 2019, at 3:49 am, Carly Sawyer <Carly.Sawyer@northernbeaches.nsw.gov.au> wrote:

Dear Mr Steirn,

Please find attached Submission Acknowledgement Letter in relation to your submission for DA2019/0359 - 149 Riverview Road AVALON BEACH.

Kind regards,

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