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RE: DA2023/1289 - 1112 - 1116 Barrenjoey Road PALM BEACH NSW 2108

I object to the proposed rezoning of the bus stop and shelter as proposed on DA2023/1289. There is so many factors as to why this is unsuitable and unsafe for the public, residents and vehicles not to mention the blatant oversight of moving an existing facility from a commercial built up area to a residential naturally landscaped green area.

This proposed change endangers the lives of pedestrians, vehicle users, cyclists and residents through blind spots and further congestion in an already struggling junction between main road traffic and parking entrances and exits. The increased foot traffic from the ferry service already poses it's dangers as commuters cross the road in droves, fortunately generally using the crossing which is located in line with the existing bus stop. However the proposed change in location would without question lure commuters to cross the road in the ever dangerous mutti section of the cark park entrance/exit.

The current configuration of the bus stops allows for pedestrians crossing at the allocated crossing, full view of any and all traffic, clear and un obstructed. This is because the buses would be stopped in lee/down traffic of the crossing. By moving to the proposed location a stopped bus would obstruct viewing and increase the danger for pedestrians crossing from east to west.

As a resident living at 1130. It is already challenging to back out of my driveway, I require my entire driveway to do so, there is limited vision as it is to prepare for entering the often busy intersection of the park park and main road, in the instance of the proposed re-location I would be hit by a bus before I would even be able to see it. This is not safe for us. I fear for my Daughter, freshly on her "P" plates and my Son nearing his "P" plates soon, that this added un realistic hazard puts them in danger when simply exiting their own residence. The proposal talks of 12.4 car spaces for retail! This is ridiculous to capitalize on this whilst taking from the residents in an effort to apparently pain extra parking! My views of this proposal are clearly one sided and not in the interests of the residents, public, Palm Beach's heritage and look nor the safety of visitors.

Further more to the proposed re-location is the flood and drainage issue. The natural flow of things, brings water flow directly to this area, meaning the proposed bus stop and shelter would be regularly flooded. And the proposed addition of adding a gutter will not work. For this same reason, raising the street side will just further flood properties and retain natural water flow that comes from the hill behind us. Not to mention that the storm water drainage is ineffective during a high tide.

The proposed re-location of the bus stop and shelter removes green space, when its original location is already built up. It also squeezes into an area not suitable for the purpose, making for inappropriate walkways with not enough safe space in the event of a fall and more importantly for less mobile citizens. The cross terrain, and minimal spaces for a mobility

impaired member of the public would be far more suitable with the bus stop and shelter in its existing position, with the sufficient space and footpath. To ask someone of extra need or mobility impaired to cross 3 active driveways whether it be in a wheeled chair or with walking aids is ridiculous when again, perfect accommodations have already been made in the current location.

I revisit the point of the proposed movement of a public structural facility and service (The Bus Stop and Shelter) from a commercial built up area to a residential area. This does not feel right or in the best interest for Palm Beach and its residents.

Concluding my submission, I strongly oppose the movement of the Bus Stop and Shelter.

Regards,

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