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**RE: DA2020/0552 - 181 Allambie Road ALLAMBIE HEIGHTS NSW 2100**

This submission is AGAINST this development in this location.

This DA, in similar form, has been submitted and REJECTED previously.

It is abhorrent that there are planning loopholes that permit these proposals to even be considered by developers.

Using 'Aged Care' residence as an excuse to push into, and permanently destroy, wildlife habitat in the water catchment of the dam is not good enough to give this previously rejected proposal a justification to put itself forward again.

Everything about this proposal is DIRECTLY at odds with the Vision and Values of Council, specifically:

Vision Northern Beaches - a safe, inclusive and connected community that lives in balance with our extraordinary coastal and bushland environment.

Our Vision for Serving our Community

.....We all want to preserve our unique habitat, our culture, our sense of place. As our community grows and develops, together, we'll protect all that makes it so special for future generations.

There is nothing 'in balance' with nature about destroying yet more of the rapidly eroding bushland heart of our community. It is being attacked from all sides - by the roads, potential tunnel works, Northern Beaches Hospital (which permanently severed the wildlife corridor), and schools.

We witnessed the destruction of wildlife habitat by Manly Vale Public School - acres and acres of forest destroyed DURING Threatened Species Week, despite the fact that 7 Threatened Species were documented to live there, and it was Spring when they would have been nesting. Like this development in Allambie, much of the bushland is cleared just for a fire break (APZ) - if they are so worried about fire risk (which they should be for elderly residents) BUILD SOMEWHERE ELSE.

It is no longer acceptable to clear wildlife habitat to protect human assets from fires. We have reached, and potentially already passed, the tipping point locally with respect to the biodiversity of Manly Dam Bushland.

We CANNOT bring the unique creatures back from extinction that were impacted by the MVPS school development and will be further stressed by this massive clearing of habitat in Allambie. We have a responsibility to preserve the local biodiversity we are so lucky to still have - I hope that you can act as our voice, and a representative for nature, to divert this development elsewhere.

For this reason, I urge you to adhere to the Vision, Value and Aims of Council and REJECT this application as it currently stands. The developer can find many available previously developed sites nearby that they can demolish and build upon - in a location where they do not need to clear a fire break.

I am sure that the residents, if they knew, would be horrified to learn that their aged care facilities were directly responsible for the destruction of our beloved local bushland.

Furthermore, I thought it was only genuine aged care that was potentially exempt from planning restrictions on locations? This is marketed as 'Senior Living' for over 55s - is that aged care? I doubt that many 55 year olds would see themselves as 'aged'...

Yes, on so many levels this 'luxury' aged care, boasting views of the dam on its shiny website (the body of freshwater that it will pollute with sediment from its construction site) needs to be told NO - they cannot have our Crown Land, they cannot clear our bushland, they cannot push back on the previous rejection to drive our local biodiversity to the point of collapse.

Enough is enough - we do not inherit this earth, we borrow it from our children.

Please rule on this proposal accordingly - with the pandemic there are a range of commercial style sites available at a discounted price this developer could use as an alternative.

Please note that a REJECTION ruling would also be in line with Council's "View Towards 2040 - Local Strategic Planning Statement (LSPS)" you can view online, and with respect to this development, note that it is in direct CONTRAVENTION of Priorities 1 and 2 under Sustainability, pages 37 - 51:  
<https://eservices.northernbeaches.nsw.gov.au/ePlanning/live/Common/Output/LoadGenWebDo?id=z8E8mSOvjKAV0A60ki4OEg%3d%3d>

Thank you for the opportunity to make this submission and for your time to take these comments into account. I hope that for this final time we can send a message to this developer that we do not want to see them degrade our local environment.

Kind regards, Julia Walsh