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RE: DA2020/1489 - 8 Forest Road WARRIEWOOD NSW 2102

To Whom It May Concern,

I'm writing to you regarding the proposed development of 8 Forest Rd, Warriewood. This development impacts me personally as I work in close proximity in the North Shore Business Park, Jubilee Ave. I might also add that up until the last month I was a resident at 1 Valley Pl, Warriewood (situated in the adjacent estate to 8 Forest Rd) for over 7 years, so have an intimate understanding of the area.

I have serious concerns regarding the traffic report conducted by MLA Transport Planning, the final conclusion being, 'Overall, from a traffic and parking perspective the proposed development is considered to be satisfactory.' I don't claim to be a traffic expert but purely from an anecdotal perspective I cannot fathom how this conclusion came to be. During peak periods of traffic, any attempt at exiting or entering Jubilee Ave using the Jubilee/Ponderosa Pde intersection is quite honestly a very frustrating and slow experience. To conclude that the addition of '51 vehicle movements per day' (p22 of the MLA report) would make no impact on traffic congestion seems to be a gross underestimation.

As a former resident of 1 Valley PI in the Warriewood Grove estate, I know that residents rely mostly on car transport to move in and out of the area. This is in the form of personally owned cars and services such as KeoRide or Uber. The access to public transport from this area is inconvenient and an unpopular method of transport because of the distance involved between places of residency and bus stops.

I think it's reasonable to assume that future residents of 8 Forest Rd will use car transport in the same way as current residents of Warriewood Grove, given that there are no future plans to increase bus services or bus stop proximity to the site. Because of this, I strongly urge you to consider changing the entry and exit to 8 Forest Rd to Forest Rd. Not Jubilee Ave, which was never intended to be the access Road for this development. There is a road easement on the adjoining property to 8 Forest Rd, which is the appropriate position for the entry and exit to this development as bus transport is much more accessible to residents from this location, easing congestion on the local road network and particularly at the intersection of Ponderosa and Jubliee Ave.

I truly believe that if Council approves this development prior to permission being granted by the adjoining property to use the road easement that connects 8 Forest Rd to Forest Rd it would be doing a disservice to existing and future residents, workers and visitors of this area.

On a separate note, I'd like ask why the heritage-listed property currently located at 8 Forest Rd is set to be demolished and replaced with passive recreational space, as proposed in the

application plans? Does the owner not have a responsibility as custodians of this site to restore and protect this piece of history? What a shame for it to be demolished, only to be replaced with landscaping.

I implore you to please, visit Jubilee Ave during peak hour (when schools return and COVID lockdowns have lifted) and experience the congestion for yourself before approving this development.

Thank you for your time, Elizabeth Lough