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To the Assessing Officer,

I Blake Cradock of 7/446 Sydney Road, Balgowlah confirm encouragement for the development proposed under DA2023/0617.

As an uphill neighbouring resident to the site, we frequently walk past these addresses to access the Balgowlah shops and Stockland either via Angle St or direct down Sydney Road. At present, there are two driveways that cross the footpath on this journey and usually vehicles parked outside each property in/near the footpath zone. In particular, the 24 Angle St driveway exit to Sydney Road is completely blind by large hedging and the neighbouring 72A West building built close to the boundary. Cars exiting 24 Angle St aren't seen (and they can't see) until the bonnet or half of the car is across the driveway causing pedestrians to jump and stop quickly to avoid collision. Amalgamating the driveways to just the one off 22 Angle St will be a positive step for safety and reducing the vehicle to person negotiations through here.

I've also observed similarly, cars entering the 24 Angle St driveway quite quickly from Sydney Rd as its a 60km/h section of road, and again the pedestrian and vehicle interaction safety will be increased by eliminating the risk all together. Finally, this same driveway is commonly used as crossing to Sydney Road and removing the driveway via the public domain upgrades shown in the DA plans will encourage pedestrians to make efforts to cross this busy street at safer locations such as the Woodland St intersection.

I believe approval should be given to this development as it will go to relieve some of the local housing pressure, and improve the thoroughfare and safety for locals commuting into Balgowlah shops .

Thank you,
Blake Cradock