
From: Olivia Tazelaar
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To: Council Northernbeaches Mailbox
Subject: DA2022/0279 Objection for 48 Johnson Street Freshwater 2096

To whom it may concern,

It has just been brought to my attention that after years of 48 Johnson Street Freshwater being left to ruins, causing, but not limited to, a rodent problem for the rest of the street, concerns over the asbestos being exposed as the house is left to crumble after years of neglect and the property being a liability to the numerous small children on the street who happily play on the pathways, but let's face it, children will be children and get curious about the overgrown ruin that no one lives in, and this is a worry and huge concern for us parents who have children, that a DA has actually been submitted for building works to proceed. Interestingly enough, there has not been a sign to notify us neighbors of this to look at or be eligible to review this and raise any concerns. As this was not presented out the front of the property, it indicates that perhaps the owners of this property are trying to get something through without anyone being eligible to raise concerns. This is not ok. Since the owners are never on their abandoned property and I cannot voice my anger at their deceit I respectfully request that my below concerns in regards to DA2022/0279 be submitted and included as an objection.

- 1) In the proposed documents it states that there are alterations and additions to an existing dwelling . I can guarantee you that there is no saving a single inch on this home, especially considering the substantial excavation required for the basement level. Those excavations will not only be a concern to the structure of neighboring properties but whatever is left of the "leaning tower of freshwater" as it is known, will be flattened. It is so structurally unsound that it will most likely come down with one push
- 2) The development that is proposed is not in context of the area and is a massive overdevelopment of the very small site particularly in relation to the basement level creating a 3 story home in a small family friendly street with mostly renovated 1950's homes.
- 3) the home takes up over 3/4 of the site and that means the current jacaranda tree, the natives in the front yard where local wildlife reside, and the rest of the garden will be demolished to make way for this structure. That is not good for our native birds and ringtail possums amongst other creatures that have made their homes in these old and native trees.

I feel the home this couple are planning is better suited to a larger block or closer to the beach where more modern homes have been built. The residents of Johnson Street tend to stay for decades to raise children and their children's children. It has a lovely feel to it and we all take pride in our homes. The thought of a giant , modern concrete monstrosity in a family friendly street with mostly smaller old homes is not the best thing for the street.

Yours faithfully
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