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**Subject:** FW: Forestway Shopping Centre Redevelopment (DA2018/1924) - Local Traffic Impacts

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**From:** Tom Griffiths

**Sent:** Friday, 6 November 2020 4:59 PM

**To:** ElectorateOffice.Davidson@parliament.nsw.gov.au; Roslyn Harrison ; Penny Philpott ; Stuart Sprott ; Michael Regan

**Cc:** Jason.Falinski.MP@aph.gov.au; Nicki Adams

**Subject:** RE: Forestway Shopping Centre Redevelopment (DA2018/1924) - Local Traffic Impacts

**[ CBA Information Classification: Confidential ]**

Dear Michael, Jonathan, Roslyn, Penny and Stuart

I am following up on my email (below) dated 21 October regarding the lack of any suitable traffic planning for the proposed Forestway Shopping Centre redevelopment (DA2018/1924).

I am a member of the local Facebook community group and there is significant dismay and passion in the community about the impact the development will have on local neighbourhood streets and the sheer lack of adequate traffic planning. Despite being bordered by two major roads (Forestway and the newly developed Warringah Road), the proposal is that there will be NO exit from the centre on to them, and ALL exiting traffic will be forced down local streets.

This is just farcical and cannot be allowed to happen. **There are over 60 submissions on the NB Council website that all echo this sentiment. Surely we can't all be ignored?**

I am relying on this group of people to represent their residents and protect them. I have also had calls with Manly Daily and hope we can put a real positive message out about how MPs, Councillors, Mayors, Developers, RMS, TfNSW and the Community have all worked together to see sense and produce a proposal that works for all.

Please let me know how we can successfully take this forward together. I look forward to working with you on this.

Kind regards

Tom

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**From:** Tom Griffiths <[Tom.Griffiths@cba.com.au](mailto:Tom.Griffiths@cba.com.au)>

**Sent:** Wednesday, 21 October 2020 4:46 PM

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**Subject:** Forestway Shopping Centre Redevelopment (DA2018/1924) - Local Traffic Impacts

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Dear Jason

As I'm sure you know, Forestway Shopping Centre is proposed to be redeveloped. Whilst this is generally a good thing for the area, the community is concerned about the significant impact on local neighbourhood streets that will become 'rat runs'.

The original proposal was to have a right hand turn from the shopping centre on to Forest Way and ultimately feeding the major Warringah Road North and South. This part of the submission has been rejected by RMS / Transport for NSW and current modelling shows that there will now a significant increase in cars travelling South along Grace Avenue towards Altona Avenue (and therefore surrounding roads).

The latest proposal (here:

<https://eservices.northernbeaches.nsw.gov.au/ePlanning/live/Public/XC.Track/SearchApplication.aspx?id=1593572>) is that:

- NO RIGHT TURN ONTO FOREST WAY
- An ENTRY/EXIT ONTO GRACE AVENUE
- The only way for traffic to head south is therefore down back streets GRACE AVENUE / DEAKIN STREET / BENTLEY AVENUE / BROWN STREET / KELDIE STREET to get to Warringah Road.
- The projections are that traffic on Grace Avenue (and therefore surrounding local roads) will increase significantly.. Car parking spaces have increased by 73% from 428 to 738 so traffic impact will be major.

Longer term, Russel Avenue is proposed to be closed by Transport NSW which means that ALL TRAFFIC TO/FROM THE CENTRE WILL GO ONTO GRACE AVENUE and surrounding streets.

This seems crazy given the amount of money and time just spent on developing the Warringah Road which we would all expect to reduce traffic on the back roads. Grace Avenue and surrounding roads are single property family dwellings and not subject to rezoning. It is imperative that we keep the flow down these residential back streets to a minimum, particularly with so many school children in the area.

**I request that - before the development is allowed to go ahead, that the RMS and Transport for NSW and the Developers agree a suitable entry exit point that takes traffic on and off the main arterial routes (Forest Way and Warringah Road) and NOT the local back streets.**

Please help us protect our local streets. I look forward to your response.

Kind regards

Tom

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