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DA2025/0132 resident's submission against McDonalds at 37 Roseberry st, Balgowlah

Dear Councillors,

I'm proud to be a resident of the Northern Beaches and trust that our council will do the right thing by the community it represents. Unfortunately, any version of an additional McDonalds on the Northern Beaches makes the council's commitments to supporting healthy habits in young people and reducing waste and our environmental footprint laughable.

We are asked to reduce our waste on a household level and yet the very business model of McDonalds relies on creating mountains of single use waste, which until this year, was lined with pfas that was seeping into the already very unhealthy food. Please we don't need more litter, microplastics, single use waste and high sugar, high sodium and low nutritional value food. We already have a KFC in the area and there's a Maccas very nearby in Brookie and Cremorne. We're spoiled for choice when it comes to unhealthy, high waste options, please don't make it harder for our youth to make healthy choices in their lives. In an age where we are learning more about the horrific impact of ultra processed foods on our bodies thus very much feels like we're going backwards.

I'm sure many people have already protested against the light pollution, nighttime crime and additional traffic at an already super congested intersection and roundabout. However I would also like to make a note of how much more unsafe it will feel to be a woman walking home from the b-line as many of the late night clientele of McDonalds are young men. This is a busy bus stop and young women should feel safe not to be harassed by drunk people stopping in to Maccas for a greasy late night feed.

Any version of a McDonalds in Balgowlah feels like a betrayal of the Northern Beaches Council's commitment to reducing waste, encouraging healthy habits and keeping residents safe. It's a big no from me.

Sincerely,
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