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RE: DA2019/0200 - 130 Old Pittwater Road BROOKVALE NSW 2100

To whom it may concern:

Regarding the above application I wish to strongly oppose to the development for the following reasons:

The development will cut the existing bush land reserve in half leaving many native animals and some endangered species at a much higher risk within their then much smaller habitat.

The development will reduce immensely the unique flora and fauna, rainforest, creek, waterfalls, billabongs, etc, a magical pocket of unique Australian nature in a very densely populated area.

A big area of precious bushland for native animals to live in and for local residents to enjoy as green lungs in our area has been lost to the development of the hospital and its infrastructure. This development will take away even more of the little green space left within close range of us local residents. Once approved it will most likely have many more similar applications follow within this reserve and have it lost completely as result.

The development will encroach very closely to residential houses and increase bushfire risks, the result being that new fire trails will have to be implemented taking away more bushland again. It is only a relatively small pocket of nature and every bit of development will have a disastrous effect to it.

I personally use this bush reserve regularly for recreational walks and have seen Powerful Owls on many occasions, they seem to nest there and their home will be destroyed with this development.

Humankind and animals do need nature and healthy bushland to be able to balance an otherwise very hectic and busy life on our already overcrowded Northern Beaches. State and government try to find ways to make people abandon their cars more and to turn to using areas locally instead of having to drive to places all day every day. Bush reserves like this, as small as they may seem, provide the peace and tranquility that people often crave in their free time without again having to take the car first to just go for a walk in nature!

This is the healthy way to get people to move without a vehicle, to get people off the roads, not by taking always the little nature we still have to get more warehouses, more buildings, more shops. Once gone it will be gone for good.

I strongly oppose this development and ask for our native flora and fauna to be protected!

This is indeed a truly magical place for us local residents!

Thank you.

Kind regards

Angelika Goehring