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RE: DA2021/1426 - 51 Kalang Road ELANORA HEIGHTS NSW 2101

The property at 51 Kalang Road, Elanora Heights is positioned directly alongside Elanora Heights Community Centre in which the community preschool has operated Monday to Friday for the past 55 years. The community Preschool already struggles to provide enough safe car spaces for its 80 children and families attending each week, not to mention enabling those cars to safely enter and exit onto Kalang Road as parents drop off and collect their young children each morning and afternoon. This is not a long daycare centre where drop-offs and pickups are staggered but operates like a school where 40 families pickup and drop-off in a 15 minute window everyday.

Further, this is a dangerous blind corner where the angle of the road obscures clear vision for anyone attempting to exit the community centre carpark as they pull out of the driveway. I have witnessed many near misses as vehicles speed around the corner. Construction here and a 3 storey building with additional cars entering and exiting is not going to resolve this problem and is also going to be an issue for any cars entering and exiting that driveway.

I am also aware that, prior to this submission, the Preschool has continually raised road safety concerns about this stretch of road for well over ten years, yet unfortunately this has continued to be ignored by Northern Beaches Council and Roads and Traffic NSW.

During construction, having one lane of Kalang Rd closed with up to 40 trucks per day coming and going will not only be very disruptive for families attending the centre but also disruptive for the entire population of Elanora Heights. Kalang rd is the main road into and out of Elanora Shops and for accessing Powderworks road. With the pathway closed during contruction, how will families with young children walk from the preschool to the shops? Also, there will be no safe access to walk from the Elanora Road side of Elanora Heights over to the shops past 51 Kalang. This will impact the small businesses in the area as residents will have to drive and with limited parking will most likely shop elsewhere.

I also have concerns about the construction noise and the impact this will have on the children's ability to learn and interact in their environment in their key development years before starting school. I expect that the noise will also limit their ability to be outdoors in their beautiful outdoor setting. Furthermore, whilst families are dropping off and picking up, many have young babies from as young as few weeks old, the damage to these little ears due to the construction noises is unacceptable.

I also have strong concerns about the suitability of the proposed new space in relation to being placed alongside a children's educational setting (e.g., tattoo parlour, mortuary, backpackers, high rise units etc.). It would be inappropriate for Northern Beaches Council to place children's safety at further risk due to creating additional traffic and parking issues, causing disruption in

local residential streets, and potentially restricting outdoor play time to achieve appropriate noise levels for residents in the proposed units etc.

This development could have devastating consequences for the preschool which is the hear of the Elanora Heights community, and I strongly urge Northern Beaches Council to thoroughly review all safety considerations and points raised by all the submissions lodged against this DA.