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RE: DA2021/1612 - 1 Clarke Street NARRABEEN NSW 2101

To the Assessing Officer

I love the Northern Beaches and want to see the beach and ocean amenity preserved for the majority. I see the Collaroy wall situation as a precedent for other walls that will be required around Australia as climate change leads to sea level rise. I would like to see demonstrated a solution that will protect the Collaroy and other beaches into the future. It's a shame those properties were allowed to be built on inappropriate land.

I am lodging an objection to DA2021/1612 regarding the construction of a vertical beachfront seawall on the following grounds:

(i) A vertical wall constructed on the ocean front will have long term detrimental effect on the beach. Instead, consideration should be given to the construction of a revetment (sloping) wall. Following times of high storm activity causing beach sand erosion, the beach will recover more quickly with a sloping rock revetment wall;

(ii) The DA submitted proposes that a seawall is constructed on the beachfront in front of the houses and apartment buildings from 1 Clarke Street to 1204 Pittwater Road, however it does not indicate what is proposed for the area in front of South Narrabeen SLSC.

(iii) The proposed vertical seawall will exacerbate massive erosion along the beachfront. The DA does not adequately indicate how beach sand nourishment will occur to restore the beach.

I hope that a thorough scientific assessment is being made of the current wall and no other similar walls are built without expert independent evidence gathered and used to guide future plans.

Best regards

Eve Clark