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**To:** [Planning Panels - Northern Beaches](#)  
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Dear Sir/Madam

I am writing to object to the approval of the DA for 351 Barrenjoey Road Newport. This DA has been approved by the planners at Northern Beaches Council in spite of the thousands of Newport residents who have objected to it.

Robertson Road is a rather unique street in Newport. Newport is split in two by the very busy Barrenjoey Road. Dining at restaurants along the main road is not much fun, as it has to be indoors. Robertson Road runs perpendicular to Barrenjoey Road, with a very dangerous pedestrian crossing at the intersection. Robertson Road is currently the location of many restaurants, but there is very little provision for outdoor dining, which, with our learning to live with COVID viruses, is a preferred way to dine, as well as being more pleasant. The residents of Newport have expressed their desire to see Robertson Road closed to through traffic (thus eliminating the danger at the pedestrian crossing) and have the street upgraded to allow for extensive outdoor dining, similar to what has been done at Dee Why.

Why then are our wishes being ignored?

Why is a DA for a development with a parking garage with its access on Robertson Road being approved? Not only is the Planning Committee ignoring the wishes of the residents who have to live here and use Robertson Road, but it is actually going to make the situation even more dangerous with increased traffic in the street! Not only that, but the charm and village atmosphere of Robertson Rd will be lost with a multi storey residential and commercial development.

Is this just another case of the greed of Developers winning out over the wishes of thousands of local residents?

I do hope that the NSW Planning Panel will reconsider this DA and allow the street to be developed in line with what the people of Newport want and need, not with what will line the pockets of the Developers.

Sincerely,

Margaret Tainsh