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**Subject:** Submission DA2017/1274

To whom it may concern,

I object to DA2017/1274 for the following reasons:

The new proposed Seniors Development is located in a high priority wildlife corridor. The area proposed for development is home to many endangered species. 6 vulnerable species of bats and a vulnerable pair of breeding powerful owls have been identified in the Ecological report.

It makes no planning or ecological sense to develop in this area on this scale. These species need to be protected as a vital part of the natural ecology in Pittwater, Bayview area. The construction activities of a development of this scale will result in razing a large part of their habitat. Once operational the development will then introduce large numbers of people and traffic both residents, their visitors, operational staff, goods and services vehicles including medical emergence and non-emergence and maintenance contractors who can disturb their remaining habitat once the complex has been completed and becomes operational. That pocket of natural ecology in Pittwater, Bayview area will be lost forever.

Also, it does not appear to be feasible for the residents and staff of this new proposed Seniors Development to use the DP270239 Barkala Estate EVA to try to exit to the North via Barkala Road to Nangana Road. This has the potential to create a bottleneck with residents of Barkala Estate who may be trying to exit south down the EVA at the same time. Barkala Road and the EVA are single track roads. The effect would also block any emergency services from attending Barkala Estate. The new proposed Seniors Development considerably raises the safety risk of bushfire survival of the residents of Barkala Estate.

It is worth noting, that it is the under development and natural ecology that still survives in the Pittwater, Bayview area that makes it one of the most unique suburbs in the greater Sydney area. As a long-time resident and since the formation of the Northern Beaches Council, I have started to see the benefits of the Council amalgamation. The new Council is now a planning authority that has a much larger area. It can now strategically target sustainable densification around town and urban areas on a peninsular-wide basis. This includes the creation of intermodal transport hubs and other necessary infrastructure upgrades, targeted around employment generation as well determining the best use of land for all types of residential development that supports growth across the peninsular.

At the same time the Council is now better placed and equipped to act as a custodian to preserve and protect the remaining areas of natural environment that is home to the rare species and other important flora and fauna that defines what it is to live in the Northern Beaches. And importantly, not allow the practice of ad-hoc, opportunistic development proposals from landowners looking to exploit inappropriate land use, resulting in poor planning outcomes for short term monetary gain. The submission DA2017/1274 looks very similar to this type of development

and it makes no planning senses or ecological sense to develop in this area on this scale.

I do hope my objections noted above are taken into consideration.

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