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RE: PEX2025/0001 - 13 Wilga Street INGLESIDE NSW 2101

I write to object to the planning application on the grounds of inadequate bushfire evacuation planning and insufficient transport infrastructure to support the proposed development.

Bushfire Safety Concerns

The Strategic Bushfire Report's reliance on essentially a "shelter in place" strategy is fundamentally flawed and places both residents and emergency services at unacceptable risk. This approach appears to be adopted because Powderworks Road is inadequate as an evacuation route during bushfire emergencies.

Any development of this scale in a bushfire-prone area must demonstrate viable evacuation routes, not simply assume residents will remain in threatened properties.

Transport Infrastructure Deficiencies

The existing road network cannot accommodate the increased traffic this development would generate:

- **Mona Vale Road Capacity:** The Terrey Hills/Ingleside section of Mona Vale Road is already severely congested during peak hours. Adding high-density residential development before addressing this bottleneck is poor planning practice. This issue becomes critical when considering that Wakehurst Parkway may require extended closures for future redevelopment, which would force significant additional traffic onto Mona Vale Road.
- **Powderworks Road Limitations:** Powderworks Road already struggles when Wakehurst Parkway closes, which is occurring with increasing frequency. As a North Narrabeen resident who travels via Oxford Falls daily, I regularly experience these closures and the resulting traffic chaos on Powderworks Road. The road simply cannot handle additional traffic volumes from a development of this scale.

Conclusion

This application should be refused until transport infrastructure deficiencies are resolved (Mona Vale Road, Wakehurst Parkway and Powderworks Road).