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

Dear Council,

I am writing to express my concerns regarding the proposed development in Ingleside. While I am supportive of new housing and relevant infrastructure in our area, I believe there are critical issues that must be addressed before a project of this scale can responsibly proceed.

Infrastructure and Services

At present, there has been little to no consideration of the supporting infrastructure required to service such a development. Upgrades to local streets, sewer systems, water supply, electricity networks, and parking provisions do not appear to have been factored into the planning. Public transport access is also extremely limited, with only a single bus route servicing the area near the shops. Without significant investment in these essential services, existing residents will be disproportionately affected.

Traffic and Access

Powderworks Road already experiences significant congestion. Introducing high-density dwellings without road and traffic management upgrades will inevitably worsen this situation, leaving residents struggling to enter and leave their suburb on a daily basis.

Zoning and Character of the Area

To date, Ingleside has not had buildings above three storeys. Allowing multi-dwelling developments of greater height would set a concerning precedent and fundamentally change the character of the suburb. The experience of nearby suburbs such as Warriewood demonstrates the issues that arise when higher-density development outpaces infrastructure - including school shortages, traffic gridlock, and strain on community services.

Conclusion

I am not opposed to development in Ingleside. However, I strongly urge Council to ensure that any plans are supported by appropriate upgrades to roads, sewerage, water, power, parking, schooling, and public transport. These issues must be considered and resolved before approving multi-storey developments.

Once these upgrades are in place, I would be supportive of well-planned growth in our area. Until then, I cannot see how such developments can proceed without significant negative impacts on the community.

Yours sincerely,
Nick
Ashworth