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Subject: DA2025/0068 - 16 Margaret Street Fairlight

To the General Manager,

I am a next door neighbour of the proposed development, and I have incredibly large concerns regarding the proposed second storey balcony and privacy screen which would have extremely grave impacts directly upon our loved view of the Sydney Harbour foreshore, headland, the Heads and the glorious view stretching to the Eastern suburbs. This proposed development would inhibit our ability to see any part of the view from the majority of our home. Not only does this development prevent our views, the acrylic sheeting they are proposing to attach, which are cited on the plans, significantly devalues our heritage home and also paves the way and sets the precedent for other neighbours to do the same, which goes against the shared objectives surrounding the Northern Beaches Council view-sharing.

Additionally, we have already suffered multiple view losses from our downstairs deck, along with our family room as there was a hedge of bamboo which was grown in planters on their balcony resulting in our view being blocked, comprised with the addition of unapproved extensions which were placed onto our own rear and front fences. This view means a lot to myself and my family, as we have shared plentiful amounts of family time on this downstairs balcony enjoying the view, which our neighbours are able to still do from their family room and balcony.

Furthermore, this DA application would also allow the high lattice added to the extension to be approved, as it is currently unapproved. This is also coupled with the implementation of a rear pergola, which would further disrupt our view, making it virtually impossible to see any part of our loved ocean views.

Therefore, we are incredibly concerned about this DA proposal attempting to have approved their non-approved additions, which result in an incredible devaluing of our property, along with setting the precedent for all neighbours in Margaret Street and Laurence Street, going against all Northern Beaches Councils objectives surrounding view-sharing.

Regards,

Lucia Downes