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Dear Sir/Madam,

I refer to Development Application DA2015/0597 – Alterations and Additions to Manly Vale Public School.

I lodged the attached submission online on the council's website on 18 August 2015 and also sent a copied to Mr Rik Hart (via email) on 18 August 2015 (see below).

I notice that a copy of our submission is not shown on the council website (<https://eservices1.warringah.nsw.gov.au/ePlanning/live/public/XC.Track/SearchApplication.aspx?id=717239>)

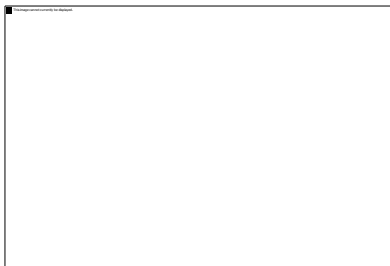
I have just spoken with a customer services officer who cannot find a record of our submission.

Can you please confirm that our submission was received on 18 August 2015 (and if not whether the attached submission can now be included as part of the submissions in response to the application).

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or concerns.

Kind regards,
Cerin

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Sent: Tuesday, 18 August 2015 4:42 PM

To: rik.hart@warringah.nsw.gov.au

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Dear Mr Hart,

Please find **attached** our letter dated 18 August 2015.

Kind regards,

Cerin

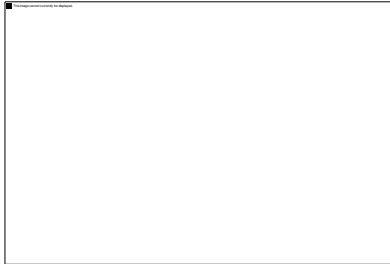
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Attention: The Assessing Officer
Warringah Council

18 August 2015

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Dear Sir/Madam,

The Nature Conservation Council of NSW (**NCC**) is the peak environment organisation for New South Wales, representing 150 member societies across the state. Together we are committed to protecting and conserving the wildlife, landscapes and natural resources of NSW.

We welcome the opportunity to comment on the Development Application for alterations and additions to Manly Vale Public School, DA2015/0597 (the **DA**) during this period of public notification.

Issues concerning the DA have been raised with us by our member groups in the region. They pertain to:

- the impacts on threatened species listed under state and federal legislation,
- the continued degradation and incremental loss of biodiversity in the Warringah Local Government Area¹ in areas of high conservation bushland,
- the adequacy of Ameliorative Measures to mitigate biodiversity impacts, when the **DA** has not co-ordinated or discussed an offset strategy with the proponent or the Office of Environment and Heritage, and
- the inadequacy of species surveys at this point in time - there remain further surveys on threatened plant species that must be completed before an accurate account of the biodiversity value of the site can be determined².

NCC has significant concerns with the extent of clearing associated with this DA and associated impacts on biodiversity and threatened species. We do not support the application.

¹Kleinfelder, *Preliminary Species Impact Statement: Manly Vale Public School – Development Application for Government Architects Office*, Kleinfelder Report Number:WBA15R15827, 2015, page viii (Sourced 17/08/2015: <https://eservices1.warringah.nsw.gov.au/ePlanning/doccache/3492030.pdf>)

² Penny Goldin, *Manly Vale Public School Redevelopment: Satement of Environmental Effects - Prepared for Department of Education and Communities*, NSW Public Works, 2015, Report No DC14235, page 48(sourced 17/08/2015: <https://eservices1.warringah.nsw.gov.au/ePlanning/doccache/3491912.pdf>); Above no.1, Kleinfelder, page ix



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We note that similar concerns were raised by the Council's Natural Environment Unit who concludes that "the adverse impacts upon the natural environment are significant and therefore the development application is not supported"³.

We urge council to recognise the significant impacts this DA will have on the natural environment, including the long term and cumulative impacts of clearing and associated habitat loss, and follow the advice of the Natural Environment Unit by refusing the application.

Yours sincerely,

Cerin Loane
Policy and Research Coordinator

³ Warringah Council- Senior Environment Officer, *Natural Environment Unit (Biodiversity) Referral Comments*, Warringah Council, 2015, Page 13 (sourced 17/08/2015:
<https://eservices1.warringah.nsw.gov.au/ePlanning/doccache/3526043.pdf>)