

9 May, 2008

Att: Mr John Slater
Warringah Council
Development Application DA2008/0624
Dee Why, NSW 2099

Dear Sir,

**Re: Issues & Matters of Concern, DA2008/0624, Alterations & Additions
5 Ronald Avenue, Freshwater**

I refer to the above DA2008/0624 and hereby lodge our concerns,

(1) Streetscape

The northern half of Ronald Avenue enjoyed a streetscape with no one dwelling dominating another, that was until the owners of number 7, Ronald Avenue were given approval to build a garage and sundeck directly opposite my home and which now invades our privacy. Unfortunately the applicants for DA2008/0624 are using this disaster as justification to build yet another and if allowed to do so will turn our street from an Avenue in to a Service Lane.

My home is already overshadowed on the south side by a block of home units, on the western side by a department of housing retirement village and by the huge out of character garage and sundeck at number 7, coupled with this we have allsorts of problems associated with the large number of home units at the south end of Ronald Avenue.


I object to the application on the grounds it further diminishes the appearance of our street, is overpowering in it's design and by it's closeness to the homes opposite will further invade our privacy. Additionally, as seen at Number 7, the garage will be used from time to time as a workshop with it's doors open on view and with it excessive noises that will affect the peaceful enjoyment of our front garden and living area.

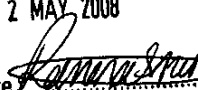
(2) Traffic

Ronald Avenue has "No Standing" signs extending from Nos1 to No 7, these signs were erected some years ago for the purpose of easing entry/exit of residents from numbers 2,4,6 & 8 Ronald Avenue. Another benefit of these "No Standing" signs was improved access for large service trucks, such as garbage and removal trucks, no longer do we find damaged car wing mirrors littering the road.

Because of the significant narrowing of Ronald Avenue at this end of the street owners of parked vehicles directly opposite the suggested garage will run the risk of damage by the residents of number 5 entering and exiting their property. Traffic problems already associated with increasing volumes of cars and service vehicles from residents living in the home units section of Ronald Avenue will only add to these problems with the erection of this garage.

Yours Faithfully


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