

Name of Application:

State Significant Development Application **SSD-86456706**

Residential flat Buildings at 142-150 Narrow Neck Road, Katoomba.

OBJECT to the above proposal.

Reasons for my objection.

1. The Greater Blue Mountains National Park is listed under UNESCO's World Heritage. I do not believe the proposed development is in keeping with a World Heritage listing and may threaten this status.
2. In consequence of that, the local economy could be impacted if tourism is affected.
3. I expect this high density development would affect the immediate area by increasing traffic and noise. Narrow Neck Road is a single lane road each way with very little curb and guttering and no footpaths. It is already impacted by tourist buses. More resident vehicles would be an added burden.
4. In the case of bushfires coming up the escarpment, increased traffic could cause dangers during an evacuation.
5. RFS vehicles may be hampered by greater volumes of traffic on the road.
6. The size of this development with the amount of concrete and building materials needed seems likely to impact the waterways that run off the existing Planetary Health Precinct and go down to Katoomba Falls. Katoomba Falls is a special tourist destination and a significant waterway in our environment.
7. Also affected could be the frog population and other wildlife in these waterways.
8. The Blue Mountains City Council has set limits and guidelines on building heights to maintain the character of the town in which we live. This is not a metropolitan city. It is a town within a National Park. We need to preserve the particular environments and habitats of our National Park.
9. If this development were allowed to go ahead, it may set a precedent for other, similar, developments to go ahead. That could lead to destruction of a very special National Park that has been part of the history of NSW for a very long time.