

OBJECTION LETTER

PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT 3-9 PARK AVENUE, GORDON

I write this letter as a resident of the upper north shore for some 30 years and more specifically in Rosedale Road, Gordon for the last 20 years. I write specifically with reference to the development at Park Avenue, Gordon.

1. The development proposal does not take into consideration the heritage homes its proposed location will be positioned next to. The height of this development will completely dwarf the heritage homes that are situated in the immediate surrounds. This suburb prides itself on beautiful gardens. Limiting the sun exposure to heritage properties puts these gardens at risk and as a consequence changes the entire characteristic of the suburb. Development, with no foresight into the future, must not get in the way of preserving the rich heritage of this country and specific suburbs for future generations. Whilst I am not opposed to development, one of such magnitude in a heritage conservation area is abhorrent, to say the least. The height of over 30 meters is just not acceptable. It will also create a tunnelling effect that will affect the gardens in the general area as well as the value of these so well and lovingly rendered homes.
2. It must also be noted that the lane way which will be the access to the building was built to allow for a horse and cart to collect the rubbish from the back of the heritage homes. The lane way has not been extended nor is it in any way, shape or form able to deal with the proposed volume of traffic from 100 apartments.
3. The general height of this building will be a sorry sight on the general village-like feel of Gordon. The general tree canopy will also be adversely affected as will the very large varieties of native fauna that we are privy to including echidnas, bandicoots and countless varieties of birds and marsupials that will lose habitat due to the height of this hideous proposal.
4. The presentation to community via on line link only sought to provide the community with information regarding the development. For a development to be integrated and accepted by the local community, there must be a win-win scenario. Absolutely no benefit has been provided for the existing community. On the contrary, there will be many inconveniences created for the one benefit.

I hope that my submission is taken into consideration by the Planning Minister of New South Wales. I am certain, the legacy he would want to leave is one of cherished preservation and sustainable mindful development to provide a lasting well thought out solution to a problem long time in the making whilst taking into consideration the needs of both existing and new community members in order to enhance co-operative habitation in the suburbs we love in a city that the world loves.