

Residential flat buildings with infill affordable housing -10, 14 and 14a Stanhope Road, Killara

The Proposal

The re-development proposal for Stanhope Road, Killara comprises;

- Demolish 3 residential houses.
- Construction of buildings some 10 stories high with 135 units and 26 affordable units.
- Incorporate 195 car spaces in a multilevel underground carpark.

Objections and Comments

While providing much needed accommodation, this development is incompatible with its location on many grounds.

The surrounding area consists of substantial residential homes, some of historical significance, and 3 and 5 storey units

Traffic Congestion

The development will lead to increased traffic congestion in Stanhope Road and Culworth Avenue, particularly at the intersection of Stanhope road and Pacific Highway. In morning peak hours and afternoon school pick-up times, these roads are already at capacity with long queues at intersections. It should also be noted that Culworth Avenue, that leads to Killara railway station, is very narrow and not suitable for heavy traffic.

Environmental

It does not appear that adequate provision has been made for stormwater and water runoff. The large new buildings will cover most of the land formerly occupied by the gardens and dwellings of the 3 houses to be demolished.

The proposal to build 10 storey buildings will adversely affect the natural light and outlook of the homes and units adjacent to the development, particularly those on the northern, eastern and western sides.

In summary the development is far too large for the the existing infrastructure and quite out of character with the existing residential environment.

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