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To whom it may concern,

Tigger's Honeypot is an award winning childcare facility established in 1995. The centre was opened as a facility of excellence by the Hons Mason, dedicated to further educational research. Tigger's have contributed heavily to publications in education and cited in the productivity report for high quality services.

The Garden, located on Lot 1 DP330632 (western section of garden) and Lot 1 DP60283 (eastern section of garden and building), was originally a community garden and was gifted to the UNSW childcare centres in 2006 to 'ensure that the garden space will remain for the benefit of the children and assist in their early childhood environmental learning.' (Letter dated 4 August 2006 and signed by Alan Egan, Director of Facilities Management)

Since then the staff, parents and children of Tigger's Honeypot have, and continue to, develop, maintain and enjoy the garden in all weather – rain or shine. The garden and work by Tigger's community has been recognised officially in garden awards by Randwick Council and plays a substantial role in the attraction of the centre to current and prospect parents and their children.

So although the space is 'is not currently part of the formally licenced area for the childcare centre' (Page 51 MODIFICATION REPORT: SSI-6042 MOD 4, Stop changes – High Street, Randwick) the community garden is an integral part of Tigger's DNA, and is very important to my child who attends, myself as a parent and to my family as part of the Tigger's Honeypot community.

The garden was a key reason we moved our daughter to Tigger's Honeypot. Our family, like many others who have children attending at Tigger's Honeypot, live in a unit. The financial pressures of life in Sydney mean we cannot afford to not work. One of the most wonderful benefits our daughter receives from attending day care at Tigger's is that she spends her days there OUTSIDE. The garden is much more than we can offer her at home. She is learning about the environment and sustainability. She is learning to care for the garden and to contribute to its flourishing. She loves the chickens and she is learning about the responsibility of caring for creatures littler than herself.

As such, it is important to me and my family that the impact to the children and staff of Tigger's Honeypot and the garden is minimised as much as possible.

1. I would like to submit the following concerns about the proposed access road:
 - 1.1 Loss of Tigger's Honeypot Community garden and its impact on my child's learning and development which is enhanced by access to this space.

- 1.2 Proposed design dissects Tigger's Honey-pot community garden in half rendering the remaining garden in Lot 1 DP330632 (western section of the garden space) inaccessible for the children due to safety concerns.
- 1.3 Uses too much of Lot 1 DP 60283 (Tigger's Honey-pot community garden space and facility) and is too close to the facility (building) – particularly the babies (6 weeks to 18 months) room.
- 1.4 The proposed design doesn't reflect an understanding of the surrounding properties and residences impacted for example
 - 1.4.1 The level difference between Tigger's Honey-pot and the adjoining properties
 - 1.4.2 Access point for Kenvale College could be located off Lot 1 DP546495 (UNSW access road from Arthur Street) and not Lot 1 DP330632 (Western section of Tigger's Honey-pot community garden)
 - 1.4.3 Access for Lot 2 DP234000 (46 High Street) could be through Lot 1 DP15324 (26 Botany Street)
 - 1.4.4 Tigger's Honey-pot uses the garden space in all weathers. Removal of the space, regardless of the size, will negatively impact the children, their parents and staff.
- 1.5 That the construction and operation of the proposed access road will impact the children and amenity in the following areas:
 - 1.5.1 Noise
 - 1.5.2 Dust
 - 1.5.3 Vibration
 - 1.5.4 Contamination
2. I formally request the following:
 - 2.1 No impact to Lot 1 DP 60283 (eastern section of garden and building) and that the land to be maintained for use by Tigger's Honey-pot as a garden space.
 - 2.2 Minimal impact to Lot 1 DP330632 (western section of garden)
 - 2.2.1 The proposed access road on Lot 1 DP330632 does not connect to Lot 100 DP836801 (36-38 High Street - Kenvale College) but via Lot 1 DP546495 (currently access driveway to Tigger's Honey-pot community garden). See point 2.3.
 - 2.2.2 The proposed access road on this land needs to only connect SP 9261 and SP 22052 (Residential properties 42 & 44 High Street) to Arthur Street.

- 2.2.3 The proposed access road on this property, currently identified to be designed to a local road standard, be downgraded to a driveway. This will reduce the space and design criteria for the proposed access needs for SP 9261 and SP 22052 (Residential properties 42 & 44 High Street) (refer to point 2.2.1).
- 2.2.4 The proposed road moves as far as possible to the western section of the property leaving as much of Lot 1 DP330632 connected to Lot 1 60283, i.e. the garden is not broken in half by the proposed access road – to maintain the usability of the space for the community of Tigger's Honey-pot.
- 2.3 The proposed access road using Lot 1 DP 546495 meets the requirements for commercial access by expanding, if required, into Lot A DP406491 (10 Arthur Street, Randwick) and Lot 31 DP 599615 (12 Arthur Street) and links into Lot 100 DP 836801 (Kenvale College site) at the junction of the two properties (Lot 1 DP 546495 and Lot A DP406491) and accessing the Kenvale College site via the parking lot at the northern section of the property. This will remove the need to have the proposed access road from this point southwards Lot 1 DP330632 (western section of garden) meet the commercial requirements (see point 2.2) and to be downgraded to 'driveway' standards.
- 2.4 Lot 1 DP15324 (26 Botany Street) be used for the access requirements for Lot 2 DP234000 (46 High Street) and remaining space on the land be used as UNSW parking facility.
- 2.5 Any impact to either Lot 1 DP 60283 and Lot 1 DP330632 (Tigger's Honey-pot community garden) be replaced with like for like or better in the remaining garden space and within the licenced childcare area (rooms and attached outdoor spaces) and that Tigger's Honey-pot selected representatives are consulted during this process.
 - 2.5.1 Do note: that focus of the centre has to be develop and maintain the community garden space over the need of the outdoor areas attached to the rooms. These attached outdoor areas will need to be upgraded as part of this process.
- 2.6 Tigger's Honey-pot Parent committee be considered a major stakeholder and consulted at the concept and detail design and also at the construction stage.
- 2.7 All impacts resulting from construction and operation of the access road, including contamination (lead, asbestos), noise, dust, and vibration impacts to the building and loss of amenity be addressed specific to the specialised needs of children and a childcare facility.
- 2.8 I sincerely request a one month notice is provided to the Director of Tigger's Honey-pot Childcare Centre (Sylvia Turner) and the Tigger's Honey-pot Parent Committee before either construction of the access road or the relocation and upgrading the of current garden assets start (whatever occurs first) to enable

Tigger's Honeypot to document and celebrate the garden. This will help my child/children and those attending Tigger's Honeypot understand what is going to happen, as they are the ones who will be most impacted by the proposed access road, regardless how small the impact. A month, though small, will help me and Tigger's Honeypot do this.

3. Further comments in relation to parking and, Kensington residents and emergency vehicle access

- 3.1 I believe figure 3.10 to be misleading. A much larger number of car parking spaces will be lost e.g. Clara St due to bus stop changes, and these should be included on the figure not just in text
- 3.2 The loss of traffic in various directions on High St means that Kensington residents will have difficulty accessing the hospital, university, Randwick, Coogee and the childcare facility (Tigger's), as well as their residences in reverse, via private vehicle. This is particularly important as the light rail does not provide any service in this direction for these residents and the proposed loss of the m50 bus route further reduces transport options.
- 3.3 The loss of traffic in various directions on High St, the loss of the m50 and the inability to use the light rail to access the hospital, eastern end of the university and Randwick shops, isolates Kensington residents.
- 3.4 I am wondering what strategies are to be used to alert ambulance vehicles that LRVs are obstructing their path/quickest route to the Sydney Children's Hospital at High/Belmore/Avoca junction? It seems nonsensical to me that emergency vehicles need to be rerouted potentially increasing transport times of potentially critically ill infants and children

I respectfully request that all my concerns and requests are addressed and resolved.

Kind regards



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