

# LAST CHANCE TO MAKE YOUR VOICE HEARD!

Please write (ideas below) opposing the destruction of Wildlife Corridors and Duffy's Forest Ecological Community at Frenchs Forest and to the CONSTRUCTION OF A 10-STOREY PRIVATE HOSPITAL INSTEAD OF RE-BUILDING MONA VALE AND MANLY HOSPITALS. (fax number, email and postal address on reverse)

*I oppose the State Significant Infrastructure Application No 5982 for a 10-storey Northern Beaches Hospital concept proposal and destruction of endangered forest:*

## 1) DESTRUCTION OF LOCAL AMENITY.

- 10-storey building with overshadowing
- Eyesore on hilltop location
- Loss of bushland and its air cleaning function
- Air pollution from increased traffic
- Noise pollution from helicopters, ambulances and cars
- Overflow parking in residential streets
- Light pollution at night

KEVIN McMULLEN  
42 ILFORD ROAD  
FRENCHS FOREST 2086  
AUSTRALIA  
Tel: 61 2 9451 9416  
Fax: 61 2 9401 9076

PERHAPS? ALREADY USE THE SIDE STREETS

## 2) TRAFFIC AND TRANSPORT PROBLEMS

WE LIVE FACING WAKEHURST PARKWAY

- Wakehurst Parkway and Warringah Road already at or beyond capacity
- Wakehurst Parkway can be closed by flooding - ESPECIALLY RECENTLY
- Intersection at hospital site gridlocked every day - WEEKENDS INCLUDED.
- Population growth on Northern Beaches (e.g Warriewood) will increase problems - ESPECIALLY WARRIEWOOD
- Substantial additional traffic (expert's estimate 10,000 per day): ambulances, staff, patients, visitors, suppliers, waste disposal...etc. - THIS SITE IS CONTINUALLY GRIDLOCKED NOW
- No public transport planned - FATAL ERROR

## 3) ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES

- Destruction of irreplaceable wildlife corridors between Narrabeen Lagoon Catchment and (a) Manly Dam (b) Forestville Park (Garigal National Park)
- Destruction of the largest southern stand of endangered Duffy's Forest Ecological Community, with unique diversity of flora
- Loss of habitat for wildlife, e.g. swamp wallabies, sugar gliders, powerful owls
- 'Environmental Offsets': destruction of one unique area of native forest and wildlife cannot be remedied by preserving bushland in another unconnected location

## 4) HEALTH SERVICES DISTRIBUTION

- Provision of public beds insufficient - NO. 1 GLARING MISTAKE
- Private hospitals focus on profits, not provision of health care for all - NO. 2 REASON NOT TO GO AHEAD.
- Centralising for administrative convenience does not provide health care where needed
- Loss of existing public community hospitals at Mona Vale and Manly - REBUILD MONA VALE
- Proximity of new 10-storey hospital to newly rebuilt Royal North Shore Hospital (duplication of services)

I request that Application 5982 be referred to PAC (Planning Assessment Committee)

Name: Kevin McMullen Date: 20-11-2013

Postal Address: 42 ILFORD ROAD  
FRENCHS FOREST 2086  
WITH CLEAR VIEWS TO THE SITE

Email Address: ilfordc@ii.net.net.au

