

Jan Gregory

Narrawallee Residential Subdivision Modification 3

Comments made at a meeting of Ulladulla and Districts Community Forum held on Monday 1 April 2019. I have noted the residence of each speaker.

1. Gemini Way

enough houses - oppose 6 additional blocks
retain as many trees as possible - have a natural play space

2. Gemini Way

young kids - need somewhere for kids to congregate

3. Blake Place

leave as much space as possible

4. Carinya

object to 6 blocks
every tree there now should stay
all residents look after reserve
boys - use area for cubby house

5. Seascape

leave the trees on this parcel of land - steep rock shelf

6. Bannister Head Rd (Sent email as well.)

Students learned DA wouldn't be approved today
students appalled at devastation of area

7. Mollymook

Criticised unwillingness of Council to maintain areas

8. Macleay

Control next part of development so eradication doesn't occur

9. Gemini

Complimented the Forum for giving opportunity to speak
no children, but plenty of grandchildren to play when visiting

10. Gemini

Bought with trees and knowing there was a reserve
Preserve what is there

11. Seascape

Fought against development - 2003/2006 - fast tracking - got through
Whatever is left, keep and save - Used by birds and animals

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adjoining or nearby area - should be purchased? by Council
50 acres
7 springs feed this area

13. fellow - area unknown

essential to keep the trees

Resolved that Ulladulla and Districts Community Forum empower Jan Gregory to

1. represent view points
2. Convey overall theme that this meeting does not want six (6) additional blocks.

34 raised hands. There was no opposition.

From: [REDACTED]
Subject: Statement to the panel - Tuesday, April 2
Date: 1 April 2019 at 10:15 pm
To: [REDACTED]

I teach at Ulladulla High School. Last year my Year 10 Geography class was challenged with creating an Environmental Management Plan for Narrawallee Inlet and the surrounding area.

In a field trip to the subject area, these 15 and 16 year olds were shocked at the devastation that confronted them as they rounded a corner on the council boardwalk off the north end of Leo Drive.

Having just read signage explaining the importance to endangered and threatened species of the State's first declared biobank reserve, they had to then reconcile the results of the large-scale clear-felling that marked Stage 2 of the Narrawallee subdivision in question.

Having arranged for council representatives and a marine biologist to address the class, my students learned that this development would not be approved if its DA application was being made today.

In short, they learned that new evidence has come to light and that times have since changed.

My students were appalled with what they saw and what they learned: current best practice is not being followed, and it is now a case of "minimising the immediate and ongoing long term compromise" to the biobank and the delicately balanced Narrawallee Inlet ecosystem.

Has the developer heard of concepts such as: green corridors; biodiversity; community goodwill? Is the developer aware of the role and importance of the biobank at the northernmost end of its development? Does the developer have an understanding of the challenges of climate change?

In the absence of evidence indicating the developer has figured any of these considerations into its calculations, I feel the council, on the community's behalf, should give no further ground. And, given what we now know, surely we should be reconsidering the basis on which the current development is proceeding?

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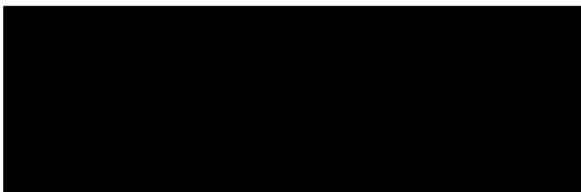
My name is Beryl Wright and I reside at [REDACTED]. The development in question backs onto the rear of my property which currently has a small public reserve attached to it. My husband and I were one of 215 submissions received in relation to this proposed development. In 2006 when the development was approved by the then Planning Minister, Frank Sartor the number of building blocks approved were revised down from 196 to 163.

Included in the various stipulations the plan was to provide for "open space area on the northern and southern sites along high points. In combination with the parks on the site this will comprise 13% of the site retained for open space and the retention of native coastal vegetation."

The southern park in question was to adjoin a reserve at the rear of our property and was to form the extended parkland. It is my understanding that the Council has been reluctant to manage this parkland and for this reason has been willing to hand it back to the developer for what is proposed to be a further 6 building blocks.

Whilst Council may be concerned at the expense of installing and maintaining playground equipment this does not warrant the gifting of this open parkland back to the developer. It is my opinion that some vegetation on this land should be retained as a means of shade and a provider for the bird inhabitants. The main bulk of the land should be grassed and left as a play area for the children of the estate. With the exception of this land the Developer has not provided any open spaces for play areas for such children.

The timing of the proposed public meeting being at 10.00am Tuesday 2nd April is questionable as it precludes the average working person from attending.



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Subject: Fwd: Narrawallee Subdivision Modification 3
Date: 31 March 2019 at 8:38 pm
To: [REDACTED]

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From: [REDACTED]
Date: Sat, Mar 30, 2019 at 2:12 PM
Subject: Narrawallee Subdivision Modification 3
To: [REDACTED]

Dear Jan and Forum Committee,

Apologies as I will not be able to attend the meeting to discuss this on Monday.

I am just writing to say that I am happy with the proposed modification which retains the Central and Northern Open Spaces with the existing Blackbutt Trees. It is somewhat of a relief that the developer has now agreed with this and that the Independent Planning Commission supports the proposed modification. Thanks to the Forum for joining with others to oppose the original modification that would have seen these areas cleared!

It would be good if the proposed Super Block remained uncleared, perhaps just thinned for fire risk minimisation only, and that the buffer area between the ring road and the Garrad Reserve retains as much of the original vegetation and trees as is possible.

Regards

Alister Nairn
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Janice Gregory representing Ulladulla and Districts Community Forum

The removal of the originally approved bushland reserve within this subdivision, will considerably diminish its amenity and the aesthetic quality of the built environment. The bushland reserves must be retained. More lots for housing is strongly opposed. These proposed six lots are in an area called the southern reserve. About fifty trees stand as sentinels. They add natural beauty and cool shade to the area. Those in Carinya Place bought their land knowing there was a reserve at one end of their street. The goal posts shouldn't be changed. This reserve must not be removed.

Council stated it had no desire to have a formal playground and I support the Council on this aspect. From the corner of Gemini Way and Amaroo Place, it is 600m to the playground in Leo Drive. While there are only three pieces of play equipment, it's an ideal park for kicking a ball, having an informal game of touch or riding around on bikes. To the park at Narrawallee Inlet, it's 1.2km. Two formal playgrounds within 2km is reasonable. Young children can walk with parents while older children can ride bikes or scooters or skateboards.

Play is a vital part of childhood and growing up. Children learn through play to develop social, physical and emotional skills. Organised play at times is fine but natural play is needed. Children need the opportunity to get dirty and gain the bacterial benefits that allow children to develop their immune systems. Children who play in reserves are better off than those who spend their time with a device in the hand or a screen in front of their chair or bean bag. The three different bushland reserves in this area will provide children with an informal outdoor learning environment that incorporates areas for quiet, natural, creative, active and stimulating play that will allow children to learn whilst using their imagination. The southern reserve with its trees and other foliage, will provide mottled shade and a cool play area.

With very young children, parents can appreciate the shade as they take children for a walk. Since most of the natural trees in this area have been ravaged, it will be some time before newly planted trees will be high enough to provide shade and new homes for fauna. In this southern reserve, children can learn about ground cover while actually experiencing it. What is under the leaf pile? Is there a very hungry caterpillar? For children, it will seem a steep climb to the top of a "mountain." That will give a vantage point from which the child can look to the "guards" at the northern reserve. The reserve gives the opportunity for imagination and acting out We're Going on a Bear Hunt. Children will go to the hundred acre wood to play with Christopher Robin and Winnie the Pooh.

For many children, the southern reserve will be a special place as they graduate from always being with a parent to socialising with their peers. From here, they can progress to the central reserve, larger and thicker. Their imaginations can be triggered by hide and seek, cops and robbers and whatever is popular at the time. The retention of the southern reserve will play a role in essential growth.

Any concern regarding the maintenance of the natural reserve can be abated on the experience of the wonderful example set by Seascope residents who have commendably maintained a park-like reserve that adjoins this natural area.

I believe local residents from Carinya Place will keep an eye on the southern reserve along with the central reserve while other residents will care for the northern reserve. These residents will see that local children and grandchildren have a wonderful environment in which to play and develop.

The aesthetic and natural environment is a positive for all. The southern reserve is visually pleasant. This is far better than more houses.

The Ulladulla Forum submits that no increase in the number of house lots should be approved. It submits that the developer should be required to retain the southern reserve area proposed as bushland reserve.