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Notice of Motion
State Affordable Housing Policy – DA for 22-24 Gladys Avenue, Frenchs Forest

That this Council resolves to:

1. Note with concern that the application for 22-24 Gladys Avenue, Frenchs Forest, made under the State Government's Affordable Housing Policy is:
 - a. In a Bush Fire/buffer zone;
 - b. That the access way from Frenchs Forest Road to the development is that narrow and steep that Council's Garbage Truck Contractors cannot travel down the access way;
 - c. That the access way from Epping Drive is also narrow and steep;
 - d. That the area was subjected to extensive bush fires in 1994 and has also had instances of flooding and due to the narrowness of the access ways Fire Trucks and other emergency service vehicles are prevented from easily accessing the area; and
 - e. That a right of way to the development is in between a small block of Council land and in close proximity to a home.

2. That Council writes to the NSW Minister for Planning, The Hon Tony Kelly MLC, requesting the Government urgently amends its Affordable Housing Policy so as to strictly prohibit such developments in areas that are in Bush Fire/Buffer zones, have inadequate access for Fire and Emergency Services and could cause damage to adjoining properties by way of flooding and land stability.