

## **De Luca will not be intimidated**

I am concerned about a few politically motivated attacks on my candidacy for Mayor of Warringah and Councillor for "A" Ward by political opponents and competitors, failed councillors and developers.

I make no secret and am proud that I was a strong and effective advocate for our community against overdevelopment and the former dysfunctional Councillors. And yes, I have been a leader in anti corruption and reform of Local Government and have continued to work hard for our community to protect its interests.

People say it is important to have candidates that have qualifications, experience and care about our community. I have dedicated my life to our community and was humbled to be awarded the Order of Australia in the Queens' Birthday Honours of 2004 for my voluntary contribution. I am a Solicitor of the Supreme Court of NSW, have experience as a public official, have worked in social welfare, youth suicide prevention, drug and alcohol prevention and child protection. Together with my knowledge of environmental and local government law I believe I have the skills, experience, professionalism and qualifications to bring fresh and dynamic leadership to Council and ensure that the community is put first.

If elected, I will continue leading the fight to stop the proposed height increase in Dee Why to 18 storeys which sets a precedent for all of Warringah. Working for better social, aged and youth services, and transport infrastructure remains my paramount objective. Through my lobbying I have achieved more childcare placements and will continue advocating for more and better facilities. I will also continue supporting our community and sporting organisations as they are the back bone of our society.

Most importantly, I will consult with and listen to what our community wants.

Yours sincerely

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Community Candidate for Mayor and Warringah "A" Ward Councillor  
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