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Subject: Highrise could be low point: Residents upset at plans (MD 4.12.13)

**Re: Highrise could be low point: Residents upset at plans (MD 4.12.13)**

I am disgusted that Mayor Michael Regan and his 7 other factional colleagues voted down my move to have this 15 storey DA, in which Warringah Council stands to gain nearly \$4m, out to independent assessment.

If the extra height to 15 storeys is granted, Council will be paid \$3,855,000 million in contributions by the developer:

- i. A cash payment of \$250,000 for the upgrade of St David's Park and/or towards the construction of a future skybridge over Pittwater Road to the Multiplex Site and to Councils Civic Centre Site;
- ii. The transfer to Warringah Council of 3 retail units on the ground floor of the development together with 3 carparking spaces;
- iii. The transfer to Warringah Council of a commercial space in the development, 1 carparking space and a dedicated lift,
- iv. The inclusion of Council's public toilet facilities and the demolition of the existing public toilets in the park.

Ironically, it was not all that long ago that Warringah Council owned this very site and sold it as it was "surplus to needs".

If approved at this height a precedent for such Chatswood like developments is set forever in Dee Why. In the interests of ethics and transparency and the protections of our community, the community should be writing to the Minister for Local Government calling on him to ensure independent assessment of this DA. Council are obviously more interested in making money from development than protecting the community.

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