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Mr Dick Persson,
Administrator
Northern Beaches Council
725 Pittwater Road,
Dee Why NSW 2099

Dear Mr Persson,

Re Proposal for extending the B-Line bus service to Newport

The Newport Residents Association at its monthly meeting held this week on Tuesday 21st June considered the above proposal based on the information it had deduced from various reports and from discussions with the office of the Hon Rob Stokes.

The meeting unanimously voted to reject this proposal for the following reasons;

- The impact on the residential streets to allow the volume of busses (which we understand are to run every 10 minutes at the peak times) to be able to turn around to make the southern journey.
- Should the busses instead of using the residential streets use a modified surf club car park to turn we believe the permanent impact on the surf club car park for access and egress could not be justified.
- Any egress from the surf club car park, if it was to be considered, would need to be at the northern end which would make it too close to the single lane portion and bends coming down the hill from Avalon on Barrenjoey Road.
- The potential impact of a dedicated bus lane to the Barrenjoey road businesses would be catastrophic and also potentially have an impact on village life.
- The current street scape of Barrenjoey Road in the village area has been extremely well upgraded to fit in with the Pittwater Connected Village ideals and it would need to be potentially destroyed to make way for permanent bus lanes.

In summary the members of the Newport Residents Association are unaware of where the push to extend the B-Line service to Newport is coming from and do not believe there has been any consultation on the benefits or otherwise of this proposal with the residents of Newport.

Yours sincerely,

Gavin Butler
President

Cc Hon Rob Stokes