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Mr Phillip Devon Acting Executive Manager Transport & Civil Infrastructure Northern Beaches Council PO Box 82, Manly NSW 1655

Dear Mr Devon,

Illegal Parking on Prince Alfred Parade – Google Earth Doesn't Lie!

Thank you for your letter dated 17th June 2020. Clearly what has been implemented and further proposed by the Council continues to be woefully inadequate and has done little in stopping illegal parking.

As you know Google regularly takes aerial photographs that are accessible by all Australians by logging on to Google Earth. We have no control over when these photographs are taken so it a good indication of routine practice.

So we logged onto Google Earth on 7th July 2020 and zoomed in on Prince Alfred Parade between numbers 2 to 44. A screen shot of the photograph is attached.

As you will see on a random, daytime occasion that we had no control over – there are eleven (11) illegally parked cars. Eleven (11)! Clearly this is an issue. Each and every one of these illegally parked cars forces pedestrians to walk on the road.

Five of these eleven illegally parked cars force pedestrians onto the road into on-coming traffic around a *high speed blind bend*, whilst a sixth forces the pedestrians onto the road at the crest of a hill – dangerous because it is a crest in both directions.

With the ever increasing number of large trucks, including articulated petrol tankers (even worse - and therefore more critical - since RMYC marina extensions), driving along Prince Alfred Parade we wonder if it will take a **serious accident or even a death** before the Council takes the numerous and repeated calls for action on board.

We ask the Council to prioritise and fast track the following:

- 1. The installation of a footpath between 2-44 Prince Alfred Parade
- 2. The reconstruction of a 90° Kerb and Gutter also between 2-44 Prince Alfred Parade. To be completed at the same time as the footpath is installed.
- 3. No stopping marking in the form of yellow lines between 2-44 Prince Alfred Parade.
- 4. No stopping signs between 2-44 Prince Alfred Parade.

We look forward to some real action being taken instead of the ongoing dismissive letters.

Yours faithfully,

Gavin Butler President

Cc Mr Ray Brownlee CEO

