



BERALA HIGH RISE

Auburn Council has received a development application (D/A) for the eastern side of Berala shopping centre, except for the hotel and its parking area.

This application is for 2 large buildings consisting of 6 to 8 storeys. This includes 214 flats and space for 12 shops or offices replacing the existing 21 shops or offices and supermarket.

Think of it 3 to 4 times the height of the existing shopping centre, but mostly flats!!! Half the flats will have to live with the train noise, while the other half will get to live with the Woodburn Rd traffic and the early morning street sweepers every day.

Many will argue that Berala shopping centre needs 'something', but does it really need high rise? Residents argue that the beauty of Berala lies in its 'village' atmosphere.. Auburn Council has tended to agree, and that is why Berala and Regents Park have been restricted to 3 storey development. There is a new development control plan (DCP) on exhibition, which suggests that Berala and Regents Park shopping strips could be developed to 4 storeys ..this proposal is for 6 - 8 storeys, with no guaranteed supermarket..

What is your vision for Berala? Do you like it the way it is, or do you want high rise? The time to have your say is NOW. If you say nothing, there is a good chance that the development will be approved.....most of the current councillors have shown that they are supportive of high rise. The refusal of his development, in its current form, doesn't mean that nothing will happen in Berala, it just sends the owners back to the drawing board to design something more suitable (lower in height and not so many flats). If this is approved, the other side will obviously follow.

***Remember, if you say nothing,
this will be used in argument FOR the development.***

If you object to this type of development coming to Berala then:

Write to the Council (PO Box 118, Auburn 1835),

Write letters to the Editor, Review Pictorial, PO Box 110, Auburn 1835, fax to 9795 0096 or email to mark@torchpublishing.com.au

Contact your Councillors (Details available from Council web site www.auburn.nsw.gov.au under 'your representatives')

*OUR councillor is Cr. Irene Simms, PO Box 273, Lidcombe 1825
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developments in the
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