

To whom it may concern.

I wish to make the following submission regarding the proposed modification of the Shell Cove Marina.

Submission 1:

The increase in residential properties will cause the following stresses on the current resources.

1. The school situation of the current infrastructure is inadequate. At present the Shell Cove Public School has a lengthy list of children awaiting enrolment. This is also the same situation with the Shellharbour Public School. There is no public High School in the current area and there are no plans to include the same. The only High School in the area is a Catholic School which is restricted to people of the same faith. As a result, public high school children require bus transport to get to school thus increasing traffic around the area.

2. The current Impact study is restricted to the Marina area. It does not include the impact of increased traffic or population since the project was first started in the 1990s. A new impact study should be instigated to include the impact of the whole of Shell Cove as the area was first designed with a certain amount of residential dwellings. Road designs were planned for the amount in the 90s and 2000s. We now have a problem which includes not having roads wide enough for fire engines or ambulances to turn. In some case the width of some roads will not allow an emergency vehicle to pass and an increase of residential properties will further exacerbate the problem.

3. I note there is an estimate of traffic in the current modification of 2%. I reject that amount and place the estimate as follows. The average amount of members within a family in Australia equals 3.9, statistics from the Australian Bureau of Statistics 2016 census. With this average, each family own 2 vehicles. From an increase of residential premises of 318, it would be logical that residential vehicle traffic would increase by 636 cars/4WD. Added to this increase would be the increase in patrons at the hotel and shopping centre which cannot be estimated. I would submit that the increases in traffic would cause problems to the current infrastructure as there are only two in and out road to Shell Cove.

4. I would also like to submit that increased water traffic and increases to the population around the marina, increases the likelihood of having water accidents. A lack of thought in the planning of the increases in housing density will cause further pedestrian and watercraft traffic. The area was originally designed to cater for a certain amount of people and increasing the density without proper planning will have the potential of increase percentage of certain accidents.

5. At present, there is a major shortage of medical doctors in the Shellharbour region. At present, a waiting list to see a doctor is one week to two weeks. An increase of at least 1240.2 residents will further endanger the people of the region and cause further stress on the hospitals & GPs.

6. The new design of the apartment buildings & hotel will be an eyesore & not in keeping with the beautiful surrounds.

Also the increase in residents and visitors will cause further problems in relation to parking which is not being increased accordingly, which means more cars in the streets.