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The surrounding roads could not cope with the additional traffic generated by 700 units, a Shopping Centre, & an expanded club. Gannons Rd & Captain Cook Drive, key access roads to Cronulla & Kurnell, are already severely congested at peak times, resulting in lengthy delays. There is no room for the expansion of these roads.

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This development is next to sensitive mangroves on the foreshore of Botany Bay not far from Towra Nature Reserve at Towra Point which has half of Sydney's remaining mangroves - **the city's most significant wetland**. This habitat is a staging post for 30 migratory bird species and there are many Aboriginal sites here. There is a real threat of irreparable damage being caused to this sensitive bay environment.

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