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My flat sits under a row of tall rainforest (remnant) trees looking N/W across the valley. Sitting on my verandah I often see and hear a background calls of birds that inhabit the area, and see them flying over towards the ridge of trees and vegetation on the west of the valley.

The valley, since this new development, has been grossly and criminally denuded of ALL vegetation since they began 4/5 yrs. ago.

To now want to take that remnant stand of tall old growth forest for yet MORE development is nothing short of environmental criminality fed by gross greed, lack of concern for the health of the rest of the valley and arrogance.

My main objections to council are:-

- 1) You must STOP the clear felling of bushland for development to make it easier for big machines to tear down the natural topography of areas for development , thereby wiping out the small animals and birds that inhabit these areas.

CLEAR FELLING is not only ugly and destructive, but unhealthy and soul-destroying for those who came to this area seeking a peaceful bushland setting for our families to grow and thrive into future generations to love and care for the area ,the bush and beaches.

This must also lead to increased risk of flooding to lower areas.

Also, no walkway areas were included to encourage ‘walk instead of drive” to Leo Drive and adjacent roads.

2) VISUAL IMPACT : this will be totally destroyed if any more trees and bush were to be cleared from this area – and this apart from all important environmental issues !

You've done enough damage and made enough money from our area. Go away and leave us alone – there are plenty of old farming areas (already cleared) for you to rape !

3) I believe there were environmental studies done to allow this development in the first place ? However, they were not communicated correctly to the residents of the valley.

All those on council who have any contacts and dealings with this “extra development” request must declare themselves and stand aside from voting on this issue.

You owe at least this much to the electorate who put you there in the first place !

THIS DEVELOPMENT IS TEARING THE HEART OUT OF MANY IN THIS COMMUNITY .
THIS IS GAIN FOR A FEW AGAINST THE OVERALL LOSS TO THE COMMUNITY.