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I am writing to request an inclusion/amendment to the above development. It's a large area near the corner of Delmar Parade and Pittwater Rd. I dont want to walk around it to get to the shops and buses.

I regularly use the steps from Tango Ave Dee Why (they run beside Stony Range Regional Botanic Gardens hereafter Gardens) down to where the development is located. The are 80 steps and the fall of the path and steps is steep.

Before the demolition of the buildings on this site I (and many others) would walk through this business area's car park as a direct route to Delmar Parade on my way to catch a bus or go shopping.

This means taking a sharp right from the bottom of the steps. I would return this way too, usually carrying shopping.

Now there is a fence up to stop me from going that way which leaves the longer route of walking through the Garden's car park and along Pittwater Rd down to Delmar Parade past AVIS. The development will, obviously, make this route permanent.

Losing this convenient access to Delmar Parade makes the walk to Dee Why shops and buses longer and unpleasant, for example, in summer there is no shade along Pittwater Rd heading north for some time making it a hot addition to the walk. Further, there is a longer distance to travel before there is cover from the rain. It is also more difficult and dangerous to cross Delmar Parade at the intersection of Pittwater Rd with traffic darting in and out of the Parade at all angles to beat the traffic.

It has turned a convenient pathway with public access to popular and vital Dee Why destinations into something arduous for those living/working on the escarpment or headland between Dee Why and North Curl Curl. Returning with shopping and after a days work is made more tedious considering one needs to climb 80 steps to Tango Ave after walking around this area rather than cutting through it.

Not being able to walk directly across this site to Delmar Parade will impact St Luke's staff and students and Delmar Private Hospital staff, patients and visitors as well as residents. There is no other practical way to walk to Dee Why shops and transport. The streets are long and wind in opposite directions making the walk to these amenities much longer and too long. There is no practical bus alternative.

I am writing to request a public right of way (easement) for pedestrians through this development by the shortest possible route from the bottom of the steps (that come from Tango Ave) to Delmar Parade. It will be well used and appreciated by many people.

Without this option, I and many others will have to walk so much further on a path open to the elements and deal with more traffic.

Blocking off this shortcut will make the walk so much longer and more challenging. Walking should be encouraged not discouraged.

Pedestrians need to be considered especially due to the road pattern and terrain around Tango Ave (it curves and winds). The steps provide a vital connection to Dee Why shops and transport.



If you have the opportunity, please, before you make a decision, walk from Dee Why Grand (shopping centre) or even the Dee Why B1 Bus stop, down Pittwater Rd, heading north, and around the development then up the steps to Tango Ave and it will all become abundantly clear.

Thank you for considering this submission.

