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Save Jamberoo Now! Submissions by 5th July 2006

As you may know, a company, Crighton Properties, has lodged a Development Application with Kiama Council for a Seniors Living development under the NSW SEPP- Seniors Living (SL). This legislation has since been discredited and frozen by Minister Sartor.

This proposed development is for 195 new dwellings plus a nursing home. Jamberoo at present has 305 dwellings. The area for these dwellings is the area alongside Jamberoo Mountain Road from Jamberoo Road and almost to the Minnamurra Rainforest turnoff and extending back to Jamberoo township. See map below.



The area with the “angry houses” is the proposed area of the development. The northern (top) boundary is along Jamberoo Mountain Road. The eastern boundary is along Jamberoo Road from the Jamberoo Mountain Road to the present village. The light coloured areas are the present village.

This development will alter the character of Jamberoo Village dramatically. Most of the new dwellings have double garages and are proposed to be 3 bedrooms. There are 500 parking spaces within the total development. This is not a small incremental expansion of Jamberoo.

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Under the SEPP–SL these dwellings are supposed to be owned or occupied by people over 55, but there has been a record of slack enforcement of such conditions. The boundaries of Jamberoo Village do not extend as far as this proposed development, but the SEPP-SL allows development on land zoned Rural adjacent to land zoned Urban.

Further information can be seen at <http://www.jrooforum.com.au/> or you could contact me at rbpallin@bigpond.net.au or 02 94167334.

Below is a draft letter you could print and send or preferably use the points included to develop your own letter.

Please send a letter. Let your voice be heard.

Submissions need to be sent to Kiama Council before 5th July 2006

You can post submissions to:

Mr Michael Forsyth
Manager
Kiama Council
PO Box 75
Kiama NSW 2533

Or email them to:

michaelf@kiama.nsw.gov.au

Please ensure you include your contact address.



Where the proposed development will be, as seen from Illawarra Lookout.

Mr Michael Forsyth
Manager
Kiama Council
PO Box 75
Kiama NSW 2533

(Insert Date)

(Insert your address)

Dear Mr Forsyth,

RE: DA 10.2005.418.1.Jamberoo Development Application by Crighton Lifestyle Resort

I am writing this letter to express my concerns with the development application for the Seniors' Resort style development in Jamberoo, on the land zoned rural, corner of Jamberoo Mountain Road and Churchill Street.

I have a number of objections to the proposed development;

1. It is not in line with local community wishes;
2. It shows disregard for Jamberoo's local history as a small old rural village;
3. It impacts on the environment, especially prime rural land for farming;
4. It is contrary to State Government legislation on the protection of agricultural lands;
5. It is in opposition to the Illawarra Regional Environmental Plan #2 for the protection of Jamberoo Valley.

Further, the development application will have a negative impact on:

6. The current size of the main village, which will effectively double in size;
7. The current provision of medical services;
8. Current infrastructure eg. Roads, water supply & sewerage, street lighting;
9. Increased traffic during construction phase and growth phase;
10. Traffic management and transport.

Finally, the development application does not guarantee:

11. A 100 bed nursing home, which may not eventuate
12. A licence will be granted for an aged care facility
13. To meet the needs of the projected aged population, who will compete with the existing population, whose needs are not sufficiently addressed eg., childcare, youth facilities

This development application needs to be rejected.

Yours sincerely

(Insert your name)