

**Submission  
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## **HISTORICAL DEVELOPMENT CONSENTS IN NSW**

**Name:** Ms Holly Galbraith  
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Partially  
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To whom it may concern,

Re: Submission to Inquiry into historical development consents in NSW.

I live on the same street as a DA that has recently tried to commence works, basing its plans on environmental impact statements that were conducted more than 10 years ago (in 2013). DA 10.2021.575.1

My issue with historical development consents mainly relates to point (c) in the terms of reference for this inquiry that being "barriers to addressing historical development consents using current legal provisions, and the benefits and costs to taxpayers of taking action on historical development concerns."

From what I can see allowing a development to proceed in 2023 that does not adhere to current environmental and cultural heritage laws is setting the local community of taxpayers up for a costly battle.

I have personally spent thousands of dollars to date, in cash and in kind to communicate with all levels of government and the media why the approved DA on my street should not go ahead due to the significant impacts to Matters of National and Environmental Significance on the site.

When the DA was approved koalas were not listed as endangered and they have been since 2022 - this DA will remove a significant amount of koala habitat. That is not OK and a developer should not be allowed to do that.

I urge you to put a stop to historical development consents. My understanding in no other state in Australia has such a clause. It is expensive to all involved to try to stand up for current laws not to mention nonsensical.

Sincerely

Holly Galbraith

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