

29 March 2022

Ms Debra Just  
CEO  
Willoughby City Council  
Level 4, 31 Victor Street  
Chatswood NSW 2067

Dear Ms Just

**RE: Proposed section 4.55 Application – DA2021/5/A, 1A Burra Rd, Artarmon**

The Artarmon Progress Association (APA) thanks Council for listening to its concerns regarding the development of the former Bowling Clubhouse and congratulates Council on the plans presented as part of this application. What is proposed will meet the range of uses sought by the community.

APA supports the plans as presented but suggests the following minor amendments to improve the usability and access to the facility:

1. Include a ramp or steps from the accessible drop-off directly to the northern Community Deck to allow access to the Deck without having to walk through the Covered Patio area (which could be busy and difficult to pass through) and to allow deliveries to the Kitchen across the Deck rather than through the Community Hall. The difference in levels is only about 530 mm and a 7.42 m 1:14 wheelchair compliant ramp along the north side of the disabled drop-off lot can be developed at the expense of a small cut-out from the northwest corner of the Deck (approx. 800 mm L x 1500 mm W). The ramp would provide easier access to the deck for people with mobility problems. As an alternative to the ramp, a couple of steps would allow access to the Deck without any loss of Deck space.
2. Increase the depth of the window on the western side of the Kitchen so that it could be used as a serving window to people on the Deck.

We look forward to the construction works commencing soon.

Please do not hesitate to contact us should you have any queries regarding our submission.

Yours faithfully,



Michael Dawes  
Vice President  
Artarmon Progress Association

**Who we are:**

*The Artarmon Progress Association, Inc. (APA) was founded in 1906 as a not-for-profit group and our objectives are to promote the welfare, physical and intellectual advancement of the suburb of Artarmon and the City of Willoughby, to protect the interests of the residents, and to encourage a keener spirit of citizenship and mutual help amongst residents.*

*Our newsletter, the Artarmon Gazette, is distributed quarterly to over 5,000 homes and businesses in Artarmon. We regularly communicate with residents and act as a conduit between local residents and elected representatives on matters concerning our local community.*