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Decision on proposal to amend planning rules for Bronte RSL

The Department of Planning and Environment has ruled that a proposal to change planning rules for the Bronte RSL site should not proceed.

In making its ruling, the Department considered over-arching strategies for the area including A Plan for Growing Sydney and Waverley Council’s current planning controls.

The reasons for the Department’s decision are:

- Bronte is not identified as a priority for urban renewal in the metropolitan plan for Sydney, A Plan for Growing Sydney
- The site is not located on a major transport corridor
- The proposal was found to be inconsistent with current controls and the area’s neighbourhood centre zoning
- The Council is already meeting its housing targets
- Despite the proposal being amended in response to issues raised by the community, the subsequent public exhibition identified that significant opposition remained and that the proposal is not supported by either the community or the Council.

A spokesperson for the Department of Planning and Environment thanked the proponent and the Council for their co-operation throughout the process.

“This shows that the process works. The Department’s process meant that the Council was able to seek formal community feedback and then consider it in the context of A Plan for Growing Sydney and local planning strategies,” the spokesperson said.

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