The General Manager Ballina Shire Council 40 Cherry Street BALLINA NSW 2478



Dear Sir

Re: Intersection of Ainsworth Close and Jameson Avenue, East Ballina Doc No. 20/40027, 20/67015

On behalf of all residence, I would like to thank your engineer Paul Busmanis for taking the time to inspect the intersection and to see first hand the problem we are having with it.

As you are aware, the intersection is approximately 40 years old and the approval considered the standard that applied at the time. Sec D1.17 of the Northern Rivers Development Design Manual says intersection should be 90 Degrees and not less than 70 Degrees (the subject intersection is approximately 45 Degrees).

Section 3.1 of the Austroads Guide states that large angles can be a significant issue with older drivers especially those who have difficulty with their head and neck to detect the presence of conflicting vehicles. Many of the residents in Ainsworth Close are aged and all are having extreme difficulty with the intersection with all residents have numerous "near misses".

There is a large amount of residential units located on the North Eastern side of Jameson Avenue with many owning or driving trade or delivery trucks which add to the problem of ingress from Ainsworth Close to Jameson Avenue.

We write this request so that the upgrade will be included in the next Road Reconstruction Program to be included in the June Council Meeting. We understand that submission forms part of Council's Delivery Program and Operational Plan (DPOP).

Mr Chris Pickford of Newton Denny Chapelle has inspected the site and has concluded that the realignment should not be overly expensive.

We trust that Council will include this request in the 2021/2022 allocation of funds.

Yours Faithfully,

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On behalf of all Ainsworth Close residents

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