

Scotts Head Community Group Inc.

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Michaael Coulter, Mayor and Councilors Nambucca Shire Council

Dear Michael, Mayor and Councilors,

The Scotts Head Community Group meeting was held post-discussion with Ingenia at our Rec Hut last night. Serious concerns were raised regarding the proposed ideas for a development. Ingenia representatives told us they didn't know what they were proposing yet, but would not build anything without 100 accommodations, and that they would be for 65-68 year olds.

The objections raised at our meeting included:

- Increased demand on our already at capacity health system, including G.Ps and the Macksville hospital.
- Increased demand on the town, which is already beyond capacity during the holidays. I.e. beach access, boat access, parking, traffic, footpaths, facilities etc.
- Increased use of roads in and out of town that are already not safe e.g broken windscreens, crumbling sides and potholes, worsened by weather events that are on the increase.
- Cultural sensitivity of the area being proposed to be developed.
- Ecological sensitivity of the area being proposed to be developed.
- Emergency response for older residents (at east 200) when roads are easily cut off
- A new demographic would be a majority of older residents when we have finally made inroads in increasing a mixed age age group.
- The population of SH residents would increase by a third all at once, impacting the community dynamic. This dynamic is a connection that is essential for stronger, healthier communities.

- The increased population would ruin the village feel that is essential to our individual and community mental health and wellbeing.
- Distaste for "Lifestyle Solutions" when we have all stayed or moved to Scotts Head and surrounds, for the quiet of a coastal village; thus their new 'Lifestyle Solution' would ruin ours.

SHCG will form a sub-committee dedicated to the proposed development on Scotts Head Rd. as the community seems to generally have a feeling of distrust in regard to this undecided development proposal by Ingenia. We are keen to learn where the council stands on the Scotts Head Rd subdivision, and the prospective development proposal.

Kind regards,

Emma Gentle President SHCG

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