

**Subject:** Agenda item 15.5-1.4, 1A North Arm Road Middle Cove

Dear Councillors

We wish to reiterate our objection to the listing of the home at 1A North Arm Rd as a local heritage item. We are concerned about:

- Potential restrictions on future modifications to improve the safety of the main access, balcony railings and the internal staircase.
- Difficulty in obtaining approval for renovations such as new kitchen and bathrooms, and expansion of the top level to provide more living space.
- Ongoing issues with substantial leaks, resolution of which may require a different look and feel for the roof and/or a build-out of the upper level.

Paul Frischknecht, architect of the building, our late husband and father, intended the house to be able to adapt to the changing needs of its occupants. He prepared a concept design for expansion of the top level, which currently only occupies a small proportion of the overall footprint.

The requirement of obtaining a Heritage Impact Statement for any modifications or additions to the building and possible rejection of the proposal due to heritage considerations is problematic.

Any proposals to modify the house by our family would be sympathetic with the current design and bush setting. They would aim to use the same, or equivalent, materials so far as possible.

Thank you for your consideration and kind regards

Margrit Frischknecht (widow of architect, occupant and home owner)

Nadia Frischknecht (only daughter of architect)

Ivor Frischknecht (only son of architect)