

## AVALON PRESERVATION TRUST

*Incorporated as* AVALON PRESERVATION ASSOCIATION INC



November 1 2018

Ray Brownlee,  
CEO  
Northern Beaches Council

Dear Mr Brownlee,

### **Re: proposed lease of 2b Tasman Rd Avalon to the Montessori School**

Avalon Preservation Association wishes to object to the proposed lease of this land.

In principle we are opposed to the lease of public land for private purposes. The amalgamated Council surely does not need revenue from this source. Public land should remain in public use. The school should be encouraged to look for extra accommodation elsewhere.

We understand the trees and shrubs on this land would need to be cleared if the land were to be leased as a playground. We recall that this land was cleared of dense weeds such as lantana and African Olive by Pittwater Council perhaps 10 years ago and later planted with local native trees and shrubs. Removing the trees would be particularly undesirable just when we are asked to comment on the Draft Urban Tree Canopy Plan.

We look forward to your response to this submission.

Yours sincerely

Peter Mayman  
Avalon Preservation Association