



# ALDI Stores

(A Limited Partnership)

ABN 90 196 565 019

1 Sargents Road, Minchinbury, NSW 2770 AUSTRALIA

## MINCHINBURY REGION

Locked Bag 56  
St Marys Delivery Centre  
NSW 2760

Telephone: (02) 9675 9000

Facsimile: (02) 9675 9199

16 August 2011

Mr W Jon Fearon  
Koolewong and Point Clare- Tascott Progress Association  
49 Brisbane Water Drive  
POINT CLARE NSW 2250

RECEIVED  
24 AUG 2011

Dear Mr Fearon

**Re: ALDI Point Clare**

We confirm receipt of your correspondence dated 11 August 2011, detailing your association's support of the local Pharmacist's, David Missak, desire to have a pedestrian link constructed between our two properties. We are well aware of your associations' support of ALDI, and acknowledge (as we have in the past) the great support and assistance your members provided during the council approval process.

It is because of this relationship, however, that we are somewhat surprised with the contents of your correspondence, particularly references to *"were delighted to discover when construction began that there would be pedestrian access....to...the Pharmacy and Medical Centre"* and *"disappointment at the ...two years it has taken ALDI to allow the construction to proceed"*. Your association has previously received correspondence from ALDI on this particular issue, outlining in detail, the facts and events that have taken place with Mr Missak, both prior to, and subsequently after, ALDI opening. As such, you would be fully aware that such a pedestrian link was never planned in the construction of the store, and any contention otherwise is simply inaccurate.

Furthermore, you would be well aware that ALDI agreed with our neighbour, to review any proposal he wished to forward to us, outlining a possible pedestrian link between the two properties. ALDI received a number of ideas/schemes on the link from Mr Missak, and have subsequently spoken and met with him. While this matter has had a somewhat "stop/start" nature, the most recent correspondence received from yourselves, and Mr Missak has brought it to a head.

ALDI has (again) reviewed the proposal of creating a pedestrian link at the rear of our neighbour's property, and taken into account the detailed reasoning contained in your aforementioned supporting correspondence. Notwithstanding this, we are of the opinion that the existing pedestrian pavements (footpaths) linking the front of Mr Missak's property, and the ALDI store, are a significantly safer option, and as such, a more appropriate access route between the properties.

The designated pedestrian path (fronting Brisbane Water Drive) provides level access to the front of our store, albeit with a small incline in Talinga Avenue. We consider this a far safer avenue, than negotiating a flight of stairs, and traversing in front of our loading dock, and a large carpark.

As such, we will therefore not be constructing, nor consenting to, a second pedestrian link from the carpark.

While this may not be the response Mr Missak was hoping for, we are hopeful your members understand our position. Moreover, we trust your Association also acknowledges ALDI's contribution to the local community, and the investment made to help revitalise the small retail strip, something to which your members have no doubt all benefited from. We enjoy being an integral part of the Point Clare community, and look forward to working collectively for many years to come.

Yours sincerely

**ALDI Stores**

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Oliver Bongardt', with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

**Oliver Bongardt**  
**Managing Director**