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Dear Mr

Last week the Carr Government unveiled the 2004/2005 Budget.

Sadly, the residents of Pittwater have been let down by the Budget.

Despite the Government taking from Pittwater residents massive amounts from property taxes like stamp duty and land tax, Pittwater has received next to nothing in the Budget.

The most concerning aspect of the Budget for local residents is the Carr Government's approach to Mona Vale Hospital. With only \$500,000 allocated for planning for a Northern Beaches Hospital, it is very clear the Government wants to run down Mona Vale Hospital.

I am calling on Bob Carr and Morris lemma to commit the Government to maintaining services at Mona Vale Hospital.

My view on Mona Vale Hospital is clear – it must remain open. I fought for the Hospital the last time it was under threat and am renewing the fight again.

I am also angry about the lack of funding for any upgrade of Mona Vale Road. What type of tragedy has to occur on this road before this Government will act?

Too much money is wasted and not enough spent on the important things like roads and hospitals.

I will continue the fight on Mona Vale Road and Mona Vale Hospital and will keep you informed on any progress in these issues.

Yours sincerely

JOHN BROGDEN MP