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Attention: Jordan Davies

Dear Sirs,

My submission relates to the proposed Vehicular Access for this development.

With Robertson Road, there is a unique opportunity to create a pedestrian plaza. This plaza concept will provide an enhanced community focus in Newport. It also provides balance to the rest of Newport village area, which sits on a busy multi-lane highway.

Vehicular Access, in the proposed form, will prevent any possibility of a pedestrian plaza development of Robertson Road forever.

One solution would be to excavate the whole of Robertson Road such that the Entrance is at the Barrenjoey Road and the Exit at Foamcrest Avenue. All shop customer parking and through access could then be transferred underground, leaving a pedestrian plaza above. The only other vehicular access is for the Post Office at the Foamcrest Avenue end and there would be options to handle this.

A pedestrian plaza concept, once established, would encourage development proposals focussed on the plaza. Such proposals should benefit the community and make good propositions for developers; a win-win scenario.

Please, therefore, reject the current proposal and work towards a plaza scheme that will benefit Newport for decades to come.

Yours faithfully,

David Abbott, Newport Resident
