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**RE: DA2019/0229 - 18 / 99 Alfred Street NARRAWEENA NSW 2099**

Hi there.

I am a daily customer at the cafe, and a parent at St Johns Narraweena, the school located directly across the road from the cafe.

The cafe is a very popular meeting spot for parents and staff of the school. They provide great coffee and a variety of great food at a reasonable price. The owners are extremely hard working locals, who supply the local community with a safe, kind and welcoming environment to meet.

From reading other submissions from residents within the building, I felt the need to write this submission. The residents purchased their homes after the cafe had been established. Yes, opening hours have since slightly changed, but this is due to supply and demand. We live in a society where many of our locals start their work days early, and want amenities available to them. Many local cafes provide opening hours equivalent to this cafe. For a small business to survive and keep its customers satisfied, the demands of its customers must be met. If local workers cannot access these amenities, they will simply go somewhere else. The owners of the cafe are doing their very best to keep there business alive. They should not be punished for this.

The hospitality industry is extremely challenging, and the fact that this cafe has survived and thrived for over a decade should show how important it is to the local community.

I fully support the cafe, and expect it to keep its doors open for many years to come. I hope the council makes the right decision and allows this cafe to continue supporting our local community.

Thank you for your time  
Aleeda Lowe