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RE: DA2020/0484 - 7335 / 1152473 Hakea Avenue FRENCHS FOREST NSW 2086

I am the owner and resident at 6 Hakea Ave Frenchs Forest. I am directly opposite where the new chapel is proposed to be built

I have read over the proposal and I am very concerned as my house will be looking into it directly for several metres in height. Currently there is a house of which I see just a little bit of the roof and a lot of trees. This change will impact my primary outlook onto the street

I have listed my further concerns at the below and have attempted to remove any emotion. I have built my own granny flat on my property through CDC and two houses in the past and in general I am pro development. This current proposal does not seem to meet several standards

The height of the Chapel is non compliant with the DCP. The building is not keeping with the local areas aesthetics. The local height level should be 8.5 metres. The Chapel is much larger then the other cemetery buildings

The trees here are brown and red. The Chapel is white and will stand out. Can it please be in character with the other buildings in the cemetery which are brown

The roof of the chapel appears to be metallic in the drawings could it be non reflective as it will be bright/blinding in the summers into my house. I am having a valuation performed at the moment and the advice has been from Belle Property that my property price will devalue at least 5% or more with the current proposed images supplied. Please see the attachment. It honestly looks like a scene from Star Wars and is directly scene from my front yard.

The setback from the road appears not to match the local standards. It will be closer than the current house on the property. This takes away my privacy across the road. There is a lot of land in the cemetery and the location would be better suited further back from the road

The Chapel itself for privacy of grieving families would be better suited further into the grounds. The proposed entrance/driveway for the chapel is almost directly my house. I also teach private Trumpet and Saxophone music lessons most afternoons and Saturday from my house and have done for many years. Through Covid I have also started teaching during the day to locals. This music easily travels from my front room studio to where the Chapel is proposed and would be offensive to people mourning. If I was asked to stop teaching it would impact my income

The driveway mentioned above is on a blind bend. Luckily it is not currently being used as it is chained up. But it is not suitable for future or commercial use

Parking is already impacting on surrounding streets and this I imagine will increase due to the size of the chapel.

I am frequently awoken from 5:15am when trucks arrive to the main entrance for construction works. They have to apply their breaks loudly due to the tight corner. I understand these trucks are supposed to visit via another entrance via the current management plan. I do request that this is policed for the Chapel construction

Thank you for your consideration on these issues

Jaime Gibson