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**ATTN: Development Assessment** 

## **Good Evening**

I would like to lodge an objection to Mod2020/0175 – DA2019/0123 submitted to change the set-up time for the Mona Vale Market and extend the expiry date for the DA.

Earlier this year the market organisers submitted a similar request to extend the operating hours of the markets. At this time I raised an objection due to the negative impact the markets were having on our community and environment, and the risk the markets posed to public safety. In making this submission I was hopeful that the market organisers and stall holders would heed their behaviour and make some positive adjustment to work with the community. Sadly they did not, and chose to blatantly ignore the concerns raised.

In my last submission I also called out the damage to our property from stall holders, and the trash left on lawn from market patrons. In this submission I noted that neither the offending stall holders or the market organisers had offered to remediate the damages they had caused, or have the courtesy to assist with cleaning up their damage and rubbish, or even offer an apology. This submission was made 5 months ago. Still no apology, no offer to remediate, and the issues continue.

It is so disappointing to see that the market organisers have chosen to completely ignore the feedback provided and submit another request to extent the hours, this time with the audacity of requesting an extension to the DA expiry date. Given this, I hope that we are now in a position to make a call and close these markets down permanently to avoid any further pain for the community and consumption of valuable public and council time.

With regard to moving the market set-up and opening time forward, the stall holders are already arriving extremely early (well ahead of the allowable set-up time) to get good positioning and/or parking ahead of set-up time. This means local residents are subjected to excessive engine noise, screeching tires, slamming car doors and people yelling at each other at peaceful hours of Sunday morning. This is then backed up a little time later when we have more door slams, more engine noise, and the addition or honking horns and general disrespect as patrons battle it out for car parking spots. This level of noise in the predawn hours of Sunday morning is already unacceptable. This cannot be moved any earlier.

With regard to extending the DA expiry, rather than extend, it is time bring the trial period of these markets to a close and conclude that the location trialled is simply not appropriate.

## To recap a few of the concerns:

- 1. As a local resident, the level of noise and traffic disruption (vehicle and pedestrian) from markets has far exceeded all expectations.
- 2. The markets are resulting in damage to public and private property as stall holders drive across lawns, into power poles, and into trees.
- 3. There is a public safety risk posed by patrons as they drive at speed across private property (driveways and lawn) to secure carparks. The stall organisers add an extra level of danger as they manoeuvre large vehicles onto Warriewood road without appropriate traffic controls.
- 4. There is insufficient parking in the area to accommodate the markets resulting in drivers creating a public obstruction as they park or stand their vehicles across driveways, on private property or illegally on the road.

- 5. There is a public nuisance caused by market patrons who trespass on our land and have picnics in our yard.
- 6. There is an environmental impact as patrons discard their rubbish across our property and up and down the street.

In the interests of residents looking for peaceful enjoyment of their Northern Beaches lifestyle, please consider rejecting Mod2020/0175 – DA2019/0123 for the extension of operating hours and the extension of the DA expiry of the Mona Vale Markets and instead move to revoke the current DA for these markets.

Please do feel free to contact me if you have any questions regarding this submission.

Regards

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