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RE: DA2023/1869 - 58 Beaconsfield Street NEWPORT NSW 2106

Good day,

I am writing the comments based on the recent experience my family and I had with the construction of the Qubec development (60 Beaconsfield Street) which, like this DA, is directly across the road from our home. We found the approximately 2 years of the Qubec construction extremely difficult and quite stressful, and the development itself dark, overpowering and thoroughly out of keeping with the area.

The Qubec development had a significant impact on our quality of life for an a considerable period of time during construction:

- construction works frequently started between 6 and 7am, with heavy vehicles arriving and parking with engines idling long before the permitted working hours.
 - construction works frequently ran until late in the evening (up until 10pm), with heavy machinery such as cement mixers and concrete pump trucks operating throughout, despite numerous complaints to Council.
 - the site was brightly lit all night, keeping us awake even after work had finished.
 - much of the parking space in the street was unavailable to residents, as the space was either blocked off as a construction zone or taken up by construction or worker's vehicles.
- The development still has a negative impact on our environment due to the loss of green-space and trees, being replaced with tall and oppressive buildings.

We would therefore insist that the current development proposal:

- be strictly held to their permitted working hours, with some form of compensation provided to close neighbours if they do not stick to normal hours.
- be more considerate than Qubec's constructors were with vehicles and use of the street (noise from idling engines and lost parking spaces.)
- maintain or increase on the current level of tree cover and shade.

All this said, we would like to acknowledge that the current DA plans look far more suitable and promising than Qubec's, and we do not object in principle to the development itself.

Thanks and regards,
Tom and Kerri Green