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RE: DA2024/1303 - 11 / 0 Melwood Avenue FORESTVILLE NSW 2087

I am generally in support of developments that improve living situations for our local residents and aged population, and i feel adding retirement liv8ng options to the forestville RSL will do a lot of good.

However it must be noted that any RSL redevelopment must 100% need less gaming and more family space - it's the only large licensed venue in the entire area and it's important it's built for the community rather than to take money off the community. Gambling is a HUGE problem and this rsl has a great responsibility to the community. Many families are keeping that RSL alive. By cutting down family spaces, and increasing gambling spaces you ate effectively denying local families of somewhere fun and wholesome to go, you will significantly reduce income if you cut out families and the money they spend there. Gambling is never the way forward. Come on. There needs to be plenty of outdoor space for children to run around, unless of course you don't want families to spend their time and money at the RSL, which seems counter-intuitive.