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**ATTN: Development Assessment**

Good Morning

I would like to lodge an objection to Mod2019/0547 - DA/0123 to extend operating hours of the Mona Vale Market.

I live directly opposite the Pittwater RSL with my wife and two young sons. Although we did expect a level of disruption from the markets, what we have observed during the trial period so far has somewhat more intrusive than anticipated and in addition to expected disruption, has also resulted in damage to our property and a very real safety risk for our family.

In terms of general disruption, at present we have market stall holders arriving at around 6:30am to get good parking spots before heading into the markets to set-up from 7am. The disruption comes from stall holders honking horns, slamming car doors, setting and setting off car alarms, unloading goods, yelling to each other and generally making excessive noise, waking our family and others in the neighbourhood up. Bringing the opening time an hour earlier would mean we would get this treatment at 5:30am which would be too much to tolerate.

The other issues we have experienced is stall holders reversing into our driveway and colliding with the power pole next to our driveway sufficient to damage the pole and knocking down our trees as they carelessly bring their goods into the area market. Thus far neither the offending stall holders or the market organisers have offered to remediate damages they have caused or had the courtesy to assist with cleaning up their damage (or for that matter even offered an apology). Moving the markets early will give stall holders even more opportunity to abscond from accountability for such damages due to the cover of darkness.

Beyond impacts of shifting opening times of the markets, the markets also cause general disruption through the day. As there is insufficient parking in the area to accommodate the markets, we have experienced patrons parking in our drive way and blocking us in and hastily driving onto our property threatening the safety of my children playing in the front yard. We also have market patrons having picnics on our front yard and discarding their environmentally unfriendly rubbish across our property. Again the market organisers and stall holders are absent when I spend my Sunday afternoons cleaning up after them.

In the interests of residents looking for peaceful enjoyment of their Northern Beaches lifestyle, please consider rejecting Mod2019/0547 - DA/0123 for the extension of operating hours of the Mona Vale Markets.

With regard to the trial of these markets, please do consider the true impact the markets are having on our peaceful community, and the reckless disregard for public safety, the environmental and community wellbeing shown by the organisers of these markets.

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

Regards

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