STATEMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS PITTWATER RSL CLUB, MONA VALE, SYDNEY

S96 DA2019/0123 - MONA VALE MARKET

November 2019

This market has now been in operation for a few months. During that period it has demonstrated that it has had minimal environmental impact in terms of noise, parking or disturbance to traffic.

The original hours applied for were for the market to access the site from 6:30 am to 2:00 pm and trade from 7:30 am to 12:30 pm. The consent was granted for access from 7 am and trading from 8:30 am but with the requested closing times.

The times specified in the DA have been complied with as Council Rangers can confirm.

On the other hand many customers are being frustrated by arriving at the site at 7:30 or 8 am and being refused service and traders are losing a significant amount of trading time. Normally markets would operate for five or six hours. Currently the market operates for four hours.

It is well established that the market creates little or no noise at set up time, so given the desire from the public and the traders we are applying to have site access from 6 am with trading commencing at 7:30 am.

The current times are much later than traditional market times where 'food' markets normally commence early in the morning.

The market is proving very popular and it is important it be given the chance to prosper or it may fail with a significant loss of amenity to the local community.

We expect no adverse environmental impact from this change at all.