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RE: DA2021/1620 - 31 Moore Road FRESHWATER NSW 2096

Objections to Harbord Hotel Development
DA 2021/1620

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I have significant objections to the proposed development of the so-called Harbord Hilton. I am retired and have lived in the Freshwater community since 1992. And earlier for 17 years.

Noise - the redesign as proposed is totally unacceptable in the heart of a major northern beaches residential area with people of all ages living next to and close to the Hotel. The 3- level design will turn a local drinking hotel into a 3- level night club, open into the early hours of the next day. On each level, with differing entertainment, there will be very loud noise that disturbs not just the immediate properties, but projects out into the entire Freshwater Basin.

It will not only have locals there. It will attract drinkers, from all over the lower Northern Beaches. It will turn the hotel into an entertainment hub, at the expense of the quality of life for Freshwater neighbours. Likely extended opening hours will result in more noise not only at later closing hours but all night.

We only need to consider the past impact of the Manly Wharf Hotel on the residents in the whole of Manly Cove area. Because of the loud noise emanating from The Hotel, again until the late hours, under protest by the surrounding house and apartments, tight restrictions on sound and numbers of patrons were enforced.

Closing time will upset the nearby homes even more. Not only will it be late but there will be larger numbers of drinkers, making all sorts of noise.

Interrupting the sleep of neighbours, their families and young ones, will impact on their health.

Traffic & Parking - A large increase in the number of patrons means more traffic looking for the already inadequate parking. At the (pre-pandemic) closing times taxis, Ubers etc clog up the traffic with departing patrons making noises and breaking glass. Residents in surrounding streets will discover that they have lost their on-street parking. If you drive around the area at night time now, even with the Harbord Hilton closed because of Covid, not much parking is available.

The village of Freshwater is not a night time entertainment centre like Manly. We don't need a loud and crowded entertainment hotel interrupting our lives. It would be at the cost of the peace and enjoyment of the residents of Freshwater Basin.

This proposal needs to be rejected.

