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RE: DA2019/0229 - 18 / 99 Alfred Street NARRAWEENA NSW 2099

Att: Nick England

Longstanding Resident:

As a long-standing resident of Maxwellton place, south side of the cafe. I would like to express my gratitude to the cafe and it's vibrant, customer-focused owners.

I have lived in Maxwellton place shy of 10years and have seen the community of Narraweena emerge into a popular location for families and couples of all ages who seek to reside. The expressions that I have seen documented are by people who utilize the cafe for multiple purposes and also a resident who resides directly above the cafe. I could describe the front facade of the resident's property who are directly above the cafe and its poor quality to upkeep a pleasing aesthetic appearance, however, I think it's inappropriate and non-effective for my submission.

On many occasions, I have seen tradies park on the pavement, though it's no disturbance to myself nor my young children who play in the street. Potentially to avoid "oil stains and pavement damage" as stated in the resident's submission a simple 'No parking sign' would be more than adequate enough.

With regards to a "Planter box which is hard up against the wall compromising any damp course and causing ingress of moisture into the building." Highly incorrect. We could simply point out the residue of water stains running down the front of the above resident's property who have a large collection of plants could also cause further damage to the property with its constant 'Water on render' approach, not to mention any indoor damages that it could cause those shops on the ground level.

Cafe opening times have changed, as mentioned in a different submission, simply caters to the changes within the community and the supply and demand that is needed. Yes, potentially this could have been addressed with the 'Strata management' although the need to raise it in this forum, not required as a professional yet community growth focus approach could have been sufficed.

Let's look at another point in a submission "seats are there 24/7 and used by customers and other people who also sit there after hours". Let's be clear here, seats used by customers during operating hours (Correct). Very unfair to blame the 'Cafe Owners' for those who occupy the seats' after-hours I (Yet, I'm still to see the seats). Yes, I too have heard 'groups' of people who hover around that space at the end of my street, mainly on Friday and Saturday nights - who could be young youth who are out and about.

Finally, I have simply decided to raise a submission purely because I have seen a young couple who are hard-working, empathetic, customer focused (which is great to see still lives) and a couple who have created a vibrant hub for its locals and non-locals to enjoy themselves in a place where 'Customer needs are exceptionally exceeded'.

Kind regards,
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