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RE: DA2019/0123 - 80 - 82 Mona Vale Road MONA VALE NSW 2103

Hi,
We have held a staff at Frenchs Forest markets for over 10 years. This opportunity has enabled my family to engage with local consumers from our farm over 600km away. With the reliability of the markets we have been encouraged to move our production to the local area creating jobs and i have had the opportunity to move my family here so as to manage the business locally. we now employ over 10 local people on a casual and full time basis. The continuation of the markets is critical to the survival of our business and the continuation of these jobs.

Whilst our business is important to us personally, the markets are a ideal way for the community to be connected to their food source and increase their overall health and education. Over the years we have seen many families attend the markets on a weekly basis, and it has become a real positive social experience for local families who want to become better informed around food choices.

Although there are other markets locally in the same area I believe that a weekend option allows this same opportunity for local residents who are otherwise committed to work on Fridays.

The localised negative effects can be minimised if managed properly by market management, and although this will be inconvenient for a period as we form new systems for bump in and out I hope all parties can work together to minimise the impact on local residence

I fully support the market move to Pittwater RSL whilst its being managed proactively by market management