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Dear Sirs,

I understand that this DA is up for appeal to be determined in a few day's time.

We live in Surf Road, in close proximity to the proposed restaurant. I would like to express my concern about the number of patrons it intends to seat and about the traffic chaos that will ensue around what is mainly, a residential area.

We already have an events venue in Moby Dick and we experience noise and traffic problems from time to time. Some of them have been quite disrupting. Fortunately, they are not an every night event.

The scope of this project is out of character with the area. A previous Deli operated in the premise's ground floor and it was mostly discreet. Importantly, it closed mid afternoon, so residents were spared the noise at evening and night, which is a most valuable time for peace and quiet and relaxation. This is the main reason why residents choose to live in this area. All this would be negated by another venue with a much too large capacity of clients and operating at times and frequency which are totally inappropriate for this area.

Parking is already a serious problem because of a lack of spaces and risks to pedestrians have been illustrated in the past, with many submissions to the Council about ways to improve safety. During Holidays and the tourist season, these problems are exacerbated.

Because of the above reasons, I object to the scope of this development and fear it would have a most negative impact in the surrounding area. Some years ago, Moby Dick held music concerts on weekend nights and the crowds walked down Surf road to Barrenjoey Rd along our street, obviously over the alcohol limit and unable to drive, so the noise and often destruction of mirrors and scratching of cars parked on the road, was a weekend occurrence. Nobody wants a return to those times. Restaurant patrons would proceed in a similar way because of the late night opening hours. These behaviour is difficult to control and restaurant owners dont assume due responsibility for it. It would place undue stress on and already overly stressed Police force.

Sincerely,

Leonor Gouldthorpe 2 Surf dr., Palm Beach