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Attention: Development Assessment

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Pittwater RSL Club Sunday “Organic Markets”

I wish to Object to this Proposed Modification.

Please see attached Letter

Yours Faithfully

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**Mod 2023/0476 – DA 2019/0123
Pittwater RSL Club Sunday “Organic Markets”**

I wish to Object to this Proposed Modification.

1. The Sunday Markets result in a Loss of Residential Amenity with on-street Parking in the Residential Areas and the Traffic Generation.
2. Sunday Mornings used to be the only quiet time of the Week in this Area.
3. The Cumulative Effects of All Pittwater RSL Club Activities and the Traffic Generated need to be Considered. The Club Late-Night Trading 7 days and nights per week, the Futsal Courts 7 days and nights until 10pm, the ‘Return & Earn’ Machine 7-day usage and unloading, the Bus Depot with 5am starts and the ‘Temporary’ Sunday Markets.
4. The change from Temporary Approval to Permanent is Objected to. An Application for Permanent Usage is Required, not just a Modification Request. This would be a Change of Use.
5. The Application quotes “Greys Australia” for Traffic and Parking.

“Ample parking spaces are always available within the RSL Club premises, and on street parking usage by some patrons is a personal choice ...”.

This is a blatant Lie

There are four levels in the RSL Club Carpark, three of which are used by the Markets, resulting in one Available Level only, the Top Level, which is insufficient parking for the size of this Market.

Council needs to examine the Reality of the Parking here, not simply accept a ‘Guns for Hire’ Consultant.

This Results in the Majority of cars parking in the Residential Area, creating intrusive and unacceptable Sunday Morning Noise outside our Homes.

Surely, we can have one quiet morning each week!

- 6. The Cumulative Effect of the Sunday Market on Local Retail needs to be examined by Council.

To the Average Resident, there has been a loss in the vibrancy of Mona Vale Shopping Centre since the introduction of the Sunday RSL Markets and the Friday Rat Park Markets.

Council is Responsible for Due Care in the Approval of Markets, which destroy Local Retail.

A Full Economic Assessment must be Completed before any Market Approval.

The Mona Vale Place Plan is presently being conducted by the NBC and this Assessment needs to be carried out in conjunction with the MVPP.

- 7. Character Assessment

A Full Background Check of the Market Proponents needs to be carried out and made Public, including previous UK Financial Activities and the Take-Over of the Glebe Markets and the Friday Rat Park Markets.

- 8. The NBC Transfer of the Friday Rat Park Markets to this Proponent needs to be examined to confirm no undue influence by the Proponent and made Public.

- 9. Undue Contact with Council

In the 'Request for Modification' two items appear which, in my view, indicates inappropriate relationships with Council Staff.

- (i) Introduction: "... (Known to Council)".
- (ii) Expiry Date: "It is thought that a new LEP will be adopted for the whole Northern Beaches Area...".

- 10. [Redacted]

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11. [REDACTED]

12. In my view, the Proponent's position as Chairman of the Local State and Federal Liberal Parties should not result in inappropriate influence on Council.

Yours faithfully

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