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

I live in an apartment across the road from the Harbord Hotel. I really love living here, where there is a great community and a comfortable balance of relaxedness and entertainment for all demographics

I strongly oppose the proposed development to the hotel for the following reasons:

Noise:

Due to the potential additional height and open balcony space, the noise will travel further which will create great disturbance to the surrounding areas including areas that have not been previously disturbed. I do not want to hear music or partying noise, echoing onto the nearby parks and beach, nor across the basin at other points.

There already is (was pre-covid) a great amount of noise generated from the hotel with the current outdoor areas, which is only acceptable as it is. Any increase in this will make it significantly problematic for any night or day of the week (be it weekend or not).

Additional noise from music/people/sports for nearby residents and neighbours who enjoy peaceful and quiet, days and evenings will be a major disappointment and disturbance for a predominantly quiet residential area.

On the nights and days the Harbord Hotel is open, a great deal of yelling, talking/laughing loudly, fighting and general loud drunken behaviour, was produced by people walking through the streets, returning to their vehicles, catching taxis/ubers or public transport, or walking home from the venue. The increase in patrons, means there will be an increase in this kind of noise and behaviour.

Increased traffic:

The increase in patrons will increase traffic and the need for parking. There are challenges already with finding parks for myself close to my home. More people means less parking availability which will be very challenging and unfair for the residents.

Increased traffic includes 'on foot' with potentially more drunk and disorderly people on the street. This concerns me a lot, particularly regarding potential damage to mine and others' property including cars, and anything that faces the street. I have already experienced damage to my car. I have also observed people urinating in people's gardens and in between cars.

Reduced quality and value of our area:

At the moment Freshwater is an enjoyable, well-balanced neighbourhood that offers both peace/tranquillity, and entertainment for all ages. The balance could tip which could greatly impact on the overall uniqueness of Freshwater.

Quality of life for myself (and visitors) who enjoy the current balance as it is, will be impacted - due to the stress of more noise, more people, no parking, and risk to property.

I have lived near entertainment venues before and it greatly affected my wellbeing - with the intrusiveness of music, noise and disorderly people.

Please reject this application.

Thanks for considering the neighbouring residents' concerns.