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RE: DA2020/1756 - 353 Barrenjoey Road NEWPORT NSW 2106

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Hello Jordan Davies,

I am asking you to please re-consider the applications for 351, 351 & 353 Barrenjoey Rd Newport, especially in terms of the Newport Master Plan which focussed on refreshing the "commercial" centre of Newport to highlight and secure the "beach village" atmosphere which is iconic Newport which is when you look at it the gateway through which to access the Northern Beaches. To quote from the very Australian film "The Castle" Newport has "The Vibe" and now unique Robertson Rd more so.

I don't see the development in question as welcoming to visitors and more so the Northern Beaches' residents.

As a Newport local and also in view of how wonderfully and sensibly we dealt with the recent COVID-19 issues you'll note we are very supportive of our local businesses so this letter is not about slamming businesses.

The Council's recent trials of invigorating Robertson bought much local discussion and support of the concept. A couple of years ago the weekends of live music and entertainment bought cheer to not only the locals but the passers-by. Robertson Rd and its intersection with Barrenjoey Rd was very much THE HAPPY HUB. Since becoming a One-Way Street Robertson Rd has proved its essential role in enriching Newport life.

As an aside but please pass on to your appropriate colleagues one other reason Robertson Rd shines is regardless of its warming physical aspects it is pretty much the only area in Newport where one can relax, socialise and enjoy oneself without being harrassed and shat on by Indian Mynah birds. In fact may prove to be pretty much the only place on the peninsula providing that joy.

Thank You for you time.

Chrissie Jephcott