



Community and Stakeholder Engagement Report

Proposed Outdoor Dining Licence – 1860 Pittwater Road, adjoining McCarr’s Creek Road Church Point (Stage 1 of 1)

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1. Summary¹

This report outlines the community and stakeholder engagement conducted over two public exhibition periods of the Proposed Outdoor Dining Licence – 1860 Pittwater Road, Church Point project.

The initial engagement exhibited the proposal for a 12-month Licence for 28 sqm, however following the exhibition period, the applicant applied for a longer-term licence and larger area of 38.4sqm. In response the proposed 18-year licence (with larger area) was then placed on public exhibition.

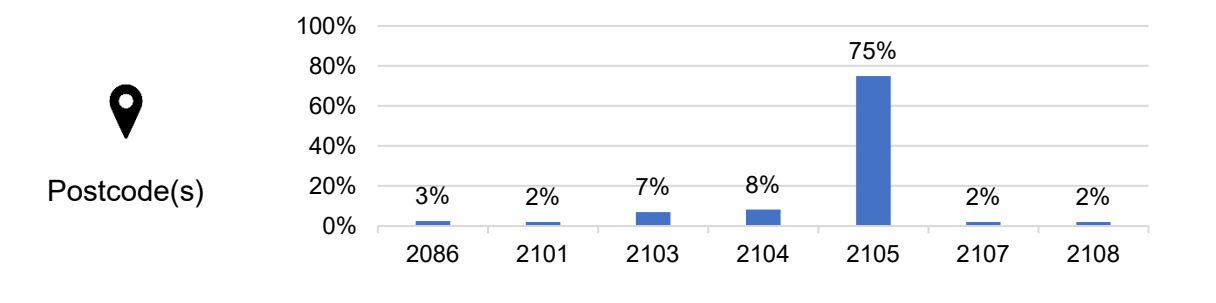
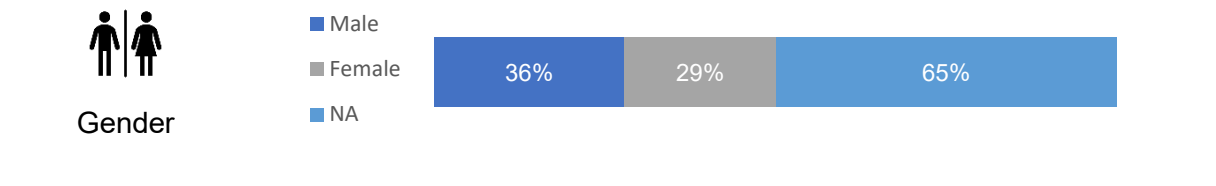
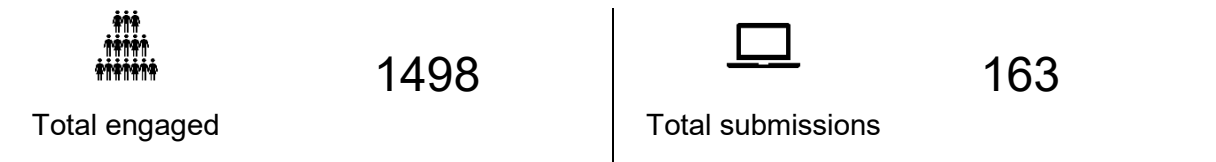
For the purpose of reporting, the demographic data collected across both exhibition periods has been collated to provide a combined overview of statistics for the Proposed Outdoor Dining Licence – 1860 Pittwater Road, Church Point.

1.1. Engagement date

First engagement 10 April 2020 to 2 June 2020 – 12 month Licence for 28sqm.


Second engagement 25 October 2020 to 27 November 2020 – 18-year Licence for 38.4sqm.

1.2. Who we engaged²







¹ Community and stakeholder views contained in this report do not necessarily reflect the views of the Northern Beaches Council or indicate a commitment to a particular course of action.

² No demographic data was captured for respondents who contributed feedback through posted or emailed submissions.

 Feedback themes	Parking	Environmental effects
	Overall Support	Public access and safety
	Commercial interests	Length of Term

1.3. How we engaged

 Your Say	Visitors: 2,363 Visits: 2,874	Av. time onsite: 1m21s
 Print media and collateral	Letter drop: 2105 Site signs: Yes	Distribution: 184 Number: 4
 Electronic Direct Mail	Community Engagement newsletter: 3 Stakeholder email: 1	Distribution: 20,000 Distribution: 66
 Form	Form: 1	Completions: 104

2. Background

This report outlines the community and stakeholder engagement conducted as part of the legislative requirements of the Crown Land Management Act 2016, section 70 (2)(f) Crown Land Management Regulation 2018 and Section 47A of the Local Government Act 1993, to give notice of Council’s consideration to grant a licence to the business trading as Waterfront Café & General Store, to use the 38.4sqm located on the proposed walkway at 1860 Pittwater Road adjacent to McCarr’s Creek Road in Church Point Reserve known as Lot 1 DP 1249367.

The purpose of the licence agreement is to enable the applicant to provide seating and other dining facilities to customers of the adjoining restaurant. The licence is subject to the payment of a licence fee and Council approval. The licence is being considered in association with the proposed new pedestrian walkway at Church Point.

3. Engagement Approach

In May 2020, community members were notified and submissions were invited on a proposed 12-month Outdoor Dining Licence for 28sqm to the business trading as the 'Waterfront Café & General Store'.

In October 2020 the licence was re-notified as Council were asked to consider a longer-term licence and larger area. The new proposed term of this is approximately 18 years, terminating on 31 October 2039 with an area size of 38.4sqm. Submissions received on the initial proposal have been included in this report.

The Proposed Outdoor Dining Licence 1860 Pittwater Road, adjoining McCarrs Creek Road, Church Point community engagement was planned, implemented and reported in accordance with Council's [Community Engagement Matrix](#) (2017).

The engagement approach gave consistent and accessible information and asked a uniform set of questions of participants in all activities. Results provide responses across a spectrum of demographics, expertise, experience and understanding of our local government area.

3.1 Engagement objective(s)

- Build community and stakeholder awareness of participation activities (inform)
- Provide accessible information so community and stakeholders can participate in a meaningful way (inform)
- Identify community and stakeholder concerns, local knowledge and values (consult)

4. Findings³

Theme	What we heard	Response
Parking	Respondents unsupportive of the proposal were mainly concerned with the potential increase in restaurant patron numbers and the impact it would have on parking availability.	<p>If approved, the outdoor dining license will not increase the maximum number of patrons permitted at the premises under the development consent for the site. As a result there is not expected to be an increase in parking demand as a result of the licence.</p> <p>This concern was raised during the initial engagement. To fully inform the community this was addressed in the second engagement as part of the frequently</p>

³ Note: This analysis does not include any 'late' feedback received after the advertised closing date for consultation.

		asked questions addressing the main themes of the initial engagement.
Overall support	Support for the proposal reflected the positive impact on pedestrian safety from the introduction of the new walkway, the support for local businesses particularly with COVID restrictions and the enhancement of the amenity and vibrancy of the area.	The overarching tone of the feedback indicated that the proposed licence would support the local economy, enhance the ambience and increase the amenity of the area.
Commercial interest	Responses reflected concerns identifying the conflict of public space for pedestrian and commercial use.	Outdoor dining has been identified in the Plan of Management for Church Point. The boardwalk has been designed to address the needs of both pedestrians and outdoor diners without impacting either user. Boardwalk markers will delineate the outdoor dining area. Licence conditions require that all furniture must be removed from the area when the restaurant is not operating.
Environmental impact	Respondents raised concern about increased noise, smoking, alcohol and amplified music and waste.	Outdoor dining licences are required to comply with Council's outdoor dining standards which include: controls for noise, lighting, patron numbers, alcohol, smoking, operating hours and waste management. Additional conditions have been added to the proposed Licence to specifically address issues to reduce the environmental impact of the outdoor dining area on the water.

<p>Pedestrian access and safety</p>	<p>The majority of respondents highlighted that the new walkway would provide positive outcomes on pedestrian safety.</p> <p>Some comments reflected the need for additional pedestrian capacity on walkways in the area to ease choke points at the Pasadena and along McCarrs Creek Road.</p> <p>Feedback also identified the need to keep areas around the general store clear of mess/bins as the area can be difficult to navigate.</p>	<p>The pedestrian walkway has been designed to link the east and west of Church Point and provide safe pedestrian access between the two.</p> <p>The next roadworks stage will also address pedestrian safety and access to public transport.</p>
<p>Length of Term</p>	<p>A small number of respondents identified concerns regarding the length of the proposed term of lease.</p>	<p>The term of the proposed licence was increased at the request of the applicant to bring the term in line with their café lease.</p>

5. Next steps

- Finalise and issue licence agreement
- Update Your Say project page and report back to community who registered an interest in the project.

6. Appendices

Full summary of community and stakeholder responses (note respondent multiple submissions have been combined)⁴

Respondent	Submission
1	There is enough noise pollution from all the eateries at the point. No more! Stop this. This is ridiculous how many dinning areas do we need in church point. There is not enough parking the noise is horrendous on the weekends. Stop this outdoor area. We live here. We don't need or want this in our community!
2	I approve of the proposal but believe the Northern Beaches Council has failed to provide adequate parking for local residents. The general parking area is a disgrace and parking along McCarrs Creek Road to the north-east of the Holmeport Marina entrance necessitates the removal of shoes whenever it rains as the ground turns into a quagmire as it does in areas of the main parking lot.
3	It is important that the 'outdoor dining licence area' be pulled back from the northern gangway to permit a public seating area of say 7.5 x 7.5 (including 3.0m pedestrian corridor) dependant on pile spacing. Consideration of a location for relocated Ferry Master's Office should also be included otherwise a useless gap will result between the Office and Lease. Furthermore how will the licence area be defined without adding clutter and be removed in the future without affecting the boardwalk. It must be kept in mind that the Cafe previously increased seating without any additional parking or service areas. How many more patrons will be accommodated and how will services be managed?
4	While this proposal will surely enhance the area, the problem with adding more seating is the parking problem we have at Church Pt. It is still a major problem for the offshore residents to find a spot to park their car particularly on the weekends and in allowing this extra seating will only add to this problem. So, no but thank you.
5	It appears that access to the public wharf is being cut off, the public wharf is used to pick people up, allow residents to pop into the post office to pick up their mail, or quickly pick up essential food. I'm also concerned that the thoroughfare is being tightened. This is already a very busy area as boats try to go to and from their home to work or local shops (Not to mention the kayakers and paddle boarders who need space around them to safely pass this area). This is making the area smaller still.
6	I'm happy for them to increase their dining area if they can increase the areas parking spaces by the same percentage as they are increasing their dining space. And as someone else pointed out, surely the address of this project is 1860 Pittwater Rd Church Point. Not 1860 Mc Carr's Creek Rd, as Mc Carr's Ck Rd only goes up to 300 and something and that's at Terrey Hills.
7	I am in full support of the proposal for the Waterfront Café and General Store, to operate its business to provide seating and other dining facilities to customers of the adjoining restaurant. It would be beneficial and well used addition to Church Point
8	It is my understanding the granting of the outdoor licence does not increase the number of people of the current restaurant licence for the Waterfront Cafe. As this proposal follows the recommendation of the Church Point Plan of Management, I support granting an outdoor dining licence for 12 months in the designated 2.2m x 12.8m area on the proposed boardwalk extension as shown in the

⁴ Comments are published as verbatim and inclusive of spelling and grammatical errors. Clear spelling errors are highlighted with (sic). Some minor formatting is corrected by Council.

	<p>proposal.</p> <p>Further I hope the cafe staff do not impede foot traffic on the proposed footpath, nor have it excessively filled by customers.</p>
9	<p>Submission for West Pittwater Community Association:</p> <p>It is our understanding the granting of the outdoor licence DOES NOT increase the permissible patron number under the current restaurant licence restrictions for the Waterfront Cafe.</p> <p>Therefore, as this proposal follows the recommendation of the Church Point Plan of Management, the WPCA supports the granting of an outdoor dining licence in the designated 2.2m x 12.8m area on the proposed boardwalk extension shown in the proposal.</p>
10	<p>A ten year lease is reasonable but 18 is too long.</p>
11	<p>Support proposal. Address 1860 Pittwater Road</p>
12	<p>Extra patrons will be good for business and will mean extra visitors and traffic. We would request that some provision is made to ensure short term parking for locals is not reduced (and preferably increased) as this is our ONLY local facility.</p>
13	<p>There is simply not enough information in this proposal to form an opinion of how this might impact the local community. How many people are prised to be seated in this area? How many additional parking spaces need to be made available? Why does it appear that pedestrians will be required to walk between the cafe patrons inside and the patrons outside? Based upon this lack of information, I oppose the current proposal.</p>
14	<p>This aids the viability of the existing business. A much loved social focal point for the wider community.</p>
15	<p>I support additions to the public amenity in Northern Beaches, particularly those giving dining and/or refreshment opportunities near our wonderful waterways. I therefore support the proposed outdoor dining licence at 1860 Pittwater Road, adjoining McCarrs Creek Road Church Point.</p>
16	<p>I support the proposal however please note our firm belief the 'temporary' ferry pontoon requires moving to the position stated in the PoM. The current wharf cuts the beach , is ugly and inconsistent with the heritage values of Church Point , is difficult to disembark at from a commuter boat and does NOT shelter users from the weather . RMS is obligated to move the moorings nearby to ensure the stage can be implemented. With thanks .</p>
17	<p>What a great idea , we love that cafe , and we want to see small business flourish</p>
18	<p>I see four difficulties with the proposal.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Traffic congestion at an already blind corner. 2. The risk of a serious accident in this area. 3. Noise disruption to both on shore and off shore residents. 4. The difficult parking situation.

19	<p>With the care Council has taken to improve this general area the store and the reserve next to it are very much an eyesore and no longer fit with the general amenity,</p> <p>I would support the outside dining (a) the setting is beautiful and should be enjoyed fully especially by people approaching by boat and (b) allowing it can only improve the immediate area. However I would ask Council to consider the allowed hours of outside dining.</p>
20	<p>Rather than an outdoor eating area there sure be more spaces added to the commuter wharf at Church Point. With people getting larger Beamer vessels there is not enough space on the wharf (COVID19 restrictions have currently helped) we need to reinstall the "temporary " wharf between Cargo and Holme Port to spread the load.</p>
21	<p>There is simply not enough parking to allow more cafe space. With the Pasadena and Waterfront both packing in as many as possible parking for offshore residents is impossible on the weekend and when functions are on. As a resident I pay \$500 per annum for parking and end up parking well over a kilometre away - the council is also now making parking at BYRA short term.</p>
22	<p>Dear Council, I do not support the outdoor venue for a range of reasons:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - the area is already a nightmare for parking. Weekends are the worst with threatening guests, anger, bad behaviors. My kids were almost in tears a few weeks back when a visitor yelled at me for taking the only parking spot available. Parking stress is a real thing. Many do not move their car on the weekend and stop socialising outside of the island as the risk of not being able to park is very high. For me, this is a major issue. Note that the Pasadena had promised to bring guests by bus, this has not happened as yet and in any case is unlikely to be effective (people want their cars nearby, especially entitled patrons). - We (offshore community) pay over \$500 year / car to have some car spaces. We would be supporting indirectly the economy of the businesses even more than we already do. This is highly inequitable. - The area will become a new "Manly wharf", which is completely out of character with the local area. The local area is about families, the local community and a relaxed atmosphere. - The use of public land for commercial activities removes upfront the benefit of having that area in place. Having to dig a waiter with a tray of coffees is not appealing - Lastly, the noise would only increase. Loud music crosses the bay, amplifies and bounces around the south side of the island. From where I am, it often sounds like the next door neighbours are having a massive party. <p>Regards</p>
23	<p>Hello,</p> <p>I am against the proposer extension for the following reasons:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - parking us an ongoing issue, the area has sufficient visitors as is. We pay over 1500/household just to park our cars and boat, that is on top of Council rates. And no guarantees of a park. - the extension is located on a public area proposed to be the main walkthrough to the wharf, this belongs to the community, and not the pocketenefot of a private business - the extension location means waiters will need to cross the public path. This will bring unnecessary conflict between the public and restaurant staff. - the cafe size is currently convivial, it will become out of size for the area and thus out of character for the area. <p>While I support the current Waterfront cafe/restaurant, I do not support that proposed extension.</p>

24	<p>Hi I'm a local resident and walk past this area 4-5 times per week and pass it in a vehicle many times per week.</p> <p>I do not support this proposal on the basis that the CP store already totally dominates and commercialises the area between it and the Pasadena. It is a well understood fact that CP store serves alcohol which is consumed in the public area on a daily basis and it operates similar to an outdoor pub, a groty one at that which does not respect the environment. Unfortunately you would not walk past with guests or children in the early evening given the language being used and the atmosphere.</p> <p>The business also spills onto McCarrs Creek Rd when it opens its shutter door to the kitchens, presumably for fresh air. I often look through into the kitchen area and question whether the business passes health inspections?</p> <p>If the council believe the business operates to the 40 person licensed capacity then it needs to spend time monitoring the business as I often see many more patrons, often spilling out of the business – Sunday afternoons as an example. This does not take into account the many patrons the CP store serves alcohol to that stand and sit in the public area.</p> <p>Please refer to the attached photo of the litter that spills over from the business into the waterways which I consider to be standard. I do not accept for one moment that the capacity will not be expanded given current practices. Unfortunately the councils web interface won't allow uploading of more than one photo, even when the photo sizes are very small. We have owned a property in CP for 15 years and we have never seen anybody cleaning up rubbish at low tide.</p> <p>The area on the western side of the CP store adjoining the new boardwalk is a trip hazard and a mess used to store their commercial size garbages + normal size garbages + food delivery crates. Presumably separate to the CP store proposal, the waterway still has the defunct floating silt curtain from prior works years ago, with one section floating and the curtain lying on sea floor. I'm not sure why the council has tolerated this?</p> <p>Overall the way the existing area is utilised is disappointing enough without expanding the current public area domination and abuse of the environment.</p>
25	<p>Absolutely not. I do not see any sense in continued commercial growth of either of the competing retail businesses At church point. The offshore residents of Scotland Island and the bays are as council is well aware are dependent on Church pint for parking and commuting to and from home. Church point is already very busy and cannot continue to sustain more parking pressure on weekends and holidays. The owners of these commercial premises have shown continued disregard for the obstacle they create to residents. They do provide some services but further Incremental expansion over the long term results In unnecessary stress. So no, as a resident I Reject this application.</p>
26	<p>The Statement on this page states- "This licence does not permit patron numbers to increase beyond those approved in DA667/02 for the Waterfront Café and General Store. Diners in the outdoor dining area are limited to 40. The assertion that Patronage numbers will not increase at the waterfront while extending the surface area of commercial operations for the restaurant is simplistic and does not reflect the context and broader reality. Developments like this at Church</p>

	<p>point promote the idea that it is a desirable destination and open for tourism when in fact it is not equipped for the volume parking it creates.</p> <p>Competition and hostility in the carpark and surrounding streets follows as a result.</p> <p>The Waterfront Cafe already has a timber deck over the water which is covered by a marquee. If The Waterfront Cafe owners wish to provide uncovered open air dining space then they already have the choice to do so without increasing their surface trading area. The operations of both the Pasadena and waterfront Cafe already dominate Church Point. Further encroachment into public space is not necessary.</p> <p>Church Point businesses promote tourism and profit from it, but it is the offshore residents who suffer and pay the true cost. Council must be careful not to inadvertently open up Church point by incrementally allowing unsustainable and detrimental development. Individual proposals no matter how small on their own look insignificant but the cumulative effect is what matters.</p> <p>Already many commercial operations have expanded since the opening of the new Carpark and this is eroding the plan of management which sought to find a sustainable solution to parking and access. A decades long term problem.</p> <p>To my mind competition for parking is reaching the limit from the many businesses already successfully operating at church point.</p> <p>I am not against people visiting church point but facilities at church point but there is no independent system to control patron numbers and such a mechanism is not practicable . Therefore volume control is restricted to passive methods. Council must be careful not to inadvertently open up Church point by incrementally allowing unsustainable and detrimental development. Each proposal on it own looks insignificant but the cumulative effect is what matters.</p> <p>The owners of both The Waterfront Cafe and the Pasadena are operating multipurpose operations premises, (cafe, restaurant, shops, functions, weddings causing patron numbers to fluctuate wildly according to time of day, climate, booked events on weekends and public holiday. Church point swells with visitors competing for parking with residents. Access to parking for residents is non-negotiable as we have no practicable alternative.</p> <p>I firmly reject this proposal and Council needs to re assess the scale of other operations or face having to build more carparks in the future.</p>
27	<p>Sounds like a great idea. These managers have already proven themselves responsible. WE look forward to dining on the deck.</p>
28	<p>The question can't be addressed properly unless we know where the ferry wharf is going, how the road and the parking will be managed and any extended times and impact on local residents.</p>
29	<p>The problem is we don't know the full picture. Before anything is approved we should be able to see the all the parts that make up the whole. The process of picking things off one at a time is ridiculous. Show all the plans for CP. Where will the road changes end up? What will Thomas Stephens Reserve look like? Are there plans for yet more parking? This is yet another tick and flick exercise from Council. Don't provide all the info and then ignore any input that doesn't align with your plans which will go ahead anyway. It's just not good enough.</p>

30	Firstly this was a community boardwalk now a sizeable chunk is for a dining establishment that in most eyes has more than enough seating. I am concerned as someone who works and frequents this region regularly that the one business is getting too much say in the use of this space. It is for dining, why not recreation? The suggested space should be left uncluttered for use by other patrons. If the business that wants outdoor dining utilises the very large spaces it already has it would be more than enough. I feel they are looking at the rate payers to fund their outdoor seating area. This is NOT community oriented. Thanks.
31	The proposal seems to be of significant advantage to one party only. A boardwalk along the foreshore would benefit many but already I have noticed parking problems with how it currently is.
32	I support this proposal
33	I would like it noted that I support the application for the external seating and dining facilities at the Waterfront Cafe and General Store. Opening up the area for local residents and for visitors will help the local economy (particularly after the Covid 19 challenge). There should be greater emphasis on provision of space for external seating and dining in the Northern Beaches area. The creation of outdoor eateries fosters social connection and supports health and wellbeing. It also assists other businesses to improve such as catering businesses, provides employment as well as opportunities for arts and culture such as live music, lunchtime concerts, weddings, events etc. There is so little available in terms of art and culture on the Northern beaches, this application is very welcome.
34	The benefit to local people in terms of an improved amenity and additional opportunity to use open space is good for the economy and for employment. There is little in the way of this type of amenity and it should be encouraged. The value of social contact and outdoor spaces has been exemplified during the current pandemic. The one area I have concerns about is the astronomical charges for parking which council levy. They should be reviewed across the whole of the Northern Beaches. The council would do well to look at additional amenities including accessible spaces for dogs and horses to make the area much more inclusive. I'm delighted that this opportunity for the café has been suggested.
35	I think this is a great idea. I'm all for it. Definitely improves the amenity of the area
36	I am in favour of the submission as it improves the amenity and vibrancy of the area.
37	Looks lovely but how about parking!! This will mean more visitors and less parking both car and boat for offshore residents. It's extremely hard to find parking on weekends and often involves driving around for hours as people are visiting the area.
38	This looks great but it will bring visitors and Seriously there is Not enough parking for offshore communities today. When we come home Church Point and we can't find parking it is a huge hassle that often results in missing the ferry and sometimes not getting home. Give the offshore community a designated parking spot then no problem.
39	Not enough parking. Already off shore residents must drive around for some times hours waiting for a park.

40	I Believe there should be no extra sitting for the Church Point Cafe. There is no parking for any extra people at Church point.
41	I do not support any area of the new boardwalk being made available for the exclusive use of Waterfront Cafe patrons. I believe the entire boardwalk should remain for public use. Any tables should be available to all, irrespective of whether they brought their own picnic or purchased one. The Waterfront Cafe already has a significant amount of seating to support it's dine-in patrons. Leaving the boardwalk area available for everyone's use means that Waterfront Cafe patrons can also use this space, but it also remains available to everyone else (on a first come first serve basis).
42	1) I believe this area should be available for dining by all visitors to church point, not just restaurant patrons. 2) If there is not change to the limit of outdoor diners (as noted above) + there is no reduction in the existing outdoor dining space of the waterfront cafe... then there would no need for additional seating on the boardwalk... so something is not sounding right here.
43	I think we need more, good class outdoor dining venues on the Northern Beaches. We have world class locations and venues and we should use them for the enjoyment of residents and encourage tourist patronage
44	I wholly support approval of this application as it assist to rejuvenate business activity after Covid 19. It will also provide an additional dining amenity for local residents
45	Really needed but lots of patrons need parking. We would like to use the scotland Island area as a freebie car park for residents with NBC council parking sitckers. as rate-payers we pay for this area and we get annoyed that we live here (Mona Vale for me) I'd like to do occasioinal ferry trips from here as well. I moved to northern beaches to enjoy all the things that pittwater offered as retirement outings good restrunants and ferry outings to picnic places are important too. We even use the ferries from palm beach to ettalong and the basin etc. There is a massive retired person population here that gets little support in inexpensive places and picnic spots. We even use to go to McCarrs creek regularly for picnics but all the speed humps (about 20) have made the drive here quite unpleasant
46	I think this is a great plan. It is vital to make the pedestrian access safer from Commuter Wharf to the Church Point car park as at present it is very dangerous as there is a very tight pinch point behind The Waterfront Store. It seems only fair to give some outdoor seating to the adjoining Waterfront Store. This plan will finish the foreshore development from Cargo Wharf to Church Point very well and make it a functional and safer place
47	Good idea, go ahead please.
48	I fully support the proposed submission. It will enhance the dinning opportunities and support a very good community business.

49	It seems as though every new council build immediately has businesses asking to be able to use it - & then they ask for exclusive access. No, I do not agree that the waterfront store can annex part of this new walkway just for their customers. This is built by our council from our taxes - it should be available to everyone. In fact, how about you put some picnic tables there so that we can all enjoy the space? Not just people who are paying the cafe?
50	I support the proposed outdoor dining license at 1860 McCarrs Creek Road, this is a great proposal and it will provide more capacity for visitors and locals to enjoy the beautiful location.
51	I am opposed to this proposal as I believe it will encourage visitors to linger at Church Point and result in an increase in people using the Church Point car parks for longer periods. It is becoming increasingly difficult for offshore residents to find parking to access our homes. Parking for us is a necessity not a privilege.
52	I absolutely oppose the granting of an 18 year lease. The current proprietors have form at both the Waterfront Cafe and when the owners of Pasadena for going over their seating numbers on many occasions. In addition, they are currently extending well into the public space of Thomas Stephens Reserve including erecting a virtually permanent awning. They are continually blocking foot traffic and impeding access to the postboxes. As such a trial lease of 1-2 years would be more prudent to gauge their ability to comply. I am also concerned about the extension of hours to 10pm when it currently closes at 730pm, 830pm and 930pm on only a couple of nights. Noise and impact on parking for those of us who live offshore and need parking to get home in a timely manner are of great concern.
53	The proposed seating area should be moved to abut the existing structure and existing serving area to restrict the cafe operation from infringing on the public area and access. Where the seating area is currently proposed would have wait staff crossing the public access. Any non public area needs to be physically delineated and monitored.
54	18 years is too long a term; it should be co-terminus with the existing operating licence for this property. If it is to be independent, then an appropriate term would be 5 years, so as to ensure that standards of maintenance ensure the heritage integrity of the building. This is currently not evident. Parking continues to be an ongoing problem, and if additional patronage is to be provided, then additional parking arrangements must be established for the benefit of local residents as well as patrons.
55	I did not support the prior application for a licence on a public boardwalk and now for 18years. Council should absolutely reject this application out of hand. Public space for public and residents of Church Point, Scotland Island and the Bays
56	This is public land and should not be leased to private company. This is for the enjoyment of all, can be utilised for takeaway food and not a good use of taxpayer funded development proposal.
57	I don't agree that the waterfront cafe should be allowed to lease this space, it should be allowed to be a public space for all to enjoy. This is a real bad waste of taxpayers money to hand it over to a private company. Council tables to be used by everyone should occupy this space, not reserved tables for a private company.

58	I strongly support
59	A valuable local establishment, enjoyed by locals and visitors to the area - this is a wonderful idea, that would enhance the already pleasant and worthy business.
60	I am totally against this proposal! Patrons of this business already litter the reserve as overflow and it often becomes to crowded and dangerous for regular commuters to navigate There have been too many times I have been pushed over and hurt trying to squeeze through the increased foot traffic created by increased customers.
61	With less customers being able to use buses due to COVID 19 and this may be the new normal. Will extra parking for the area be addressed. It is already extremely difficult in the area esp with Scotland island residents and owners of holiday houses parking long term in this carpark
62	Due to the already intolerable parking situation at Church Point, the increased noise to the offshore and Church Point Community, The noise from the Pasadena this public space should be left public. No assurances, from either of the battling venues now at Church Point regarding parking or noise control are worth the paper they are printed on. This is a primary residential area not an entertainment precinct, the battle of the coffee carts the battle of the car park the battle of the venues the battle of the general stores, what's next? Wandering minstrels, jugglers. Please stop.
63	I oppose the proposal of use of crownland for dining. I live in Scotland island and parking is already stretched to the limit, we actually don't have enough parking for all houses to have a car, which is standard on the northern beaches. We come back home and more often than not there isn't any where to park. So unless there was improvement in the car park there is no way we could have more traffic of people and sustain normal levels of parking. Therefore I oppose the proposal.
64	Church Point is a popular destination - but has only a tiny amount of land available for the visitors to enjoy it. The area proposed to be moved to the exclusive use of the Waterfront Café & General Store will reduce this available space further – there is no justification for this. If the owners are not really planning to increase the number of patrons- why would they need the space? As a former long term resident of the area I have seen Council do a great job with enhancements such as the boardwalk- but it's at its limits for usage now and this will overload the space. Considering all the planning that has gone into the space to benefit the community- you must resist the pressure to effectively lose this space.
65	I am concerned about probable extra noise, impacting close neighbours, from outdoor dining. I consider tho hours of 7am to 10pm to be too long
66	We are a community who ha e moved to this area for the low key lifestyle and ambience.

67	<p>There are already in adequate parking spaces for the resident and businesses as it is. This proposal should show a strong case for how it intends to mitigate this failure and conduct this business without taking more car park space from the offshore community that depends on them.</p> <p>Case in point front line nurses and paramedics are returning home from work and walking 10 to 20 kms to their boats.</p> <p>Is there an accompanying proposal for the infrastructure needed to support this? Probably not right? So I'm a strong no (and i wish i was a yes)</p>
68	<p>Parking is the biggest issue, there is no adequate parking now, with more patrons this will put an even greater pressure on this area, I live local I can't even pick up packages from the post office due to lack of parking, or the cafe deliveries blocking the one space available for post pick up, it's very unfair to locals. No adequate footpaths or even a pedestrian crossing at bus stop with cars flying around the corner I'm surprised no accidents have occurred. With more development of Scotland island this will be a issue that will only get bigger.</p>
69	<p>Yes please a wonderful idea to enjoy that special spot. Especially for the locals during the year.</p>
70	<p>Happy to have places for people to enjoy themselves. How do immediate residents feel? What about bringing your dog after a walk? Off shore residents will obviously have the odd dog in tow. Parking is always an issue at Church Point, I suppose the limited parking spaces will limit over-crowding. Live music and buskers at certain times? Number of Disabled Parking spots?</p>
71	<p>The venue is a very popular eatery and the proposed outdoor dining licence would further enhance visitors dining experience. Any proposal that enhances our beautiful Pittwater must be a welcome improvement.</p>
72	<p>Excellent, great idea,.I love the place ,i love the people,i love the service.I visit the place almost every day.</p>
73	<p>I also request that the licence area allow for full public access adjoining, provision of an area for public seating in the north west corner of the boardwalk and future ferry masters office. Demarcation of the licence area ideally without fixed structures.</p>
74	<p>I support the submission subject to compliance with currently approved seat numbers.</p>
75	<p>This proposal must not go ahead, the Romeos do not respect the local environment and there have been numerous incidents of rubbish from the cafe ending up in the water. The extension of this store, of which the vast majority of the offshore residents are against, will only worsen this aforementioned situation.</p>
76	<p>This development would be ok if there was still room on the wooden public wharf for us locals of Scotland Island and Western Foreshore to use. This wharf is used to load shopping, kids, push bikes etc. and not enough space to tie up our boats so we can park the car after it's loaded would NOT BE ACCEPTABLE. Reduce the overall width so access to both sides of the public wharf or deny the idea.</p>

77	<p>To Northern Beaches council</p> <p>I object to your proposal to grant a dining licence to 1860 Pittwater Rd., CHURCH POINT. This is already a very congested area with very little parking for the people who use this wharf as their sole point of contact to dock the boats they use to come and go from their homes off shore on the Western Foreshore. This includes McCarrs Creek, Elvina Bay, Lovett Bay, Scotland Island and many residents of the communities to the North. There is very little parking for these people as is and the restaurant will make this situation even worse.</p> <p>As it is situated right on a bend in the road the pedestrian traffic to the car park on the opposite side of the road will be increased. The frustration already experienced by poor traffic flow and limited parking spaces will be exacerbated by increasing the number of people in the area by this added seating availability.</p> <p>The increased capacity of the restaurant will mean more supply vehicles and more staff spaces needed in addition to the problems and hazards this already poses.</p> <p>The other problem a restaurant in this area creates is one of noise which carries across the water easily and has a profound effect on local residents. We understand and have respect for this but customers of the restaurant may not.</p> <p>I would ask that council considers the already congested area and the lack of parking spaces and the impact this will have on the many residents who have no option but to use this area for transport to and from their homes.</p>
78	<p>As a local church point resident for over 15yrs I welcome improvements to the Church Point precinct. I am concerned that the current 28m2 or 38m2 area is too small to accommodate a maximum of 40 people, so I would support a maximum of 25-20 people.</p> <p>The current waterway is polluted under the current amount of people in the restaurant, so any license must be conditional on the leaseholders keeping the waterway clean of rubbish. With diners so close the waters' edge the likelihood of rubbish and items being blown or dropped into the waterway is too high.</p> <p>The current period of 12mths appears reasonable to allow time for the business to re-assure residents that the parking & noise levels will not be a problem for residents. A period of 18yrs is far too long, as many things can change in that time. An option to extend the license for 5yrs seems appropriate, conditional on acceptable levels of parking, noise and waterway pollution in the 12mth period assessed in various times during the 12mth period.</p>
79	<p>This request for additional dining area is contrary to the current density of dining in a confined area where this is limited parking opportunities. As a local resident I welcomed the opening of the Pasadena cafe as an alternative to the monopoly that the General Store had in Church Point for dining and coffee. The area cannot support additional parking requirements for additional patrons. The General Store already has a high number of seating at their tables inside, so I think it is unreasonable to add more capacity. I would only support this proposal if it was a re-location of seating from inside to outside - they should be capped at the table capacity that they currently have.</p> <p>Additionally - if the council was to approve this request, on that basis - it only appears reasonable that the Council should support the operation of Pasadena in the outdoor area in front of their restaurant. They should be permitted to improve the surface of the outdoor area (artificial grass, deck or pavers) to support a more long-term attractive surface that is not dependent on grass growing under tables etc.</p>
80	<p>I am supportive</p>

81	So long as public access is allowed during service times
82	I understand the extended time to 20 years will provide the current operators of the Waterfront Store to continue their excellent service to their patrons. Their efforts to provide greenery and flowers to beautify the precinct is much appreciated.
83	We are very happy to agree to the dining lease proposal at 1860 Pittwater Rd. The management of the Waterfront Cafe is excellent. The general area surrounding the property has been maintained to a high standard and is always an environmental enhancement.
84	To Whom It May Concern, I am disheartened to hear about this proposal and am hoping this decision is carefully considered by the council. I have concerns about the way in which the proposed expansion will impact the environment, and subsequently the Church point community. I have witnessed on too many occasions how poorly the premises are kept by the current owners of this establishment, with litter overflowing into the waterways. I suspect the situation will only become worse with patrons seated outside. I hope that enough of the community have expressed how much we don't want this expansion to happen in this beautiful area. Kind regards,
85	Public land for the public, let's not repeat the Pasadena disaster.
86	I think this is a great upgrade and fully support. We need more venues on Pittwater accessible by boat or car. Let's use the wonderful backdrops we have on Pittwater.
87	Until the current parking issues are rectified I don't think we need to have anymore people visiting the Church Pint precinct.
88	I strongly object. I can't see how you could approve any more infrastructure at Church Point with the current parking situation. Between the Pasadena, Holme Port Marina upgrade and The Water Front Cafe it is impossible to park already let alone catering for more people.
89	I'm very concerned that the additional operating area, if granted, for the Waterfront Cafe will increase their overall seating capacity. An increase in the number of approved patrons for this site will have a negative impact on the parking situation at Church Point. Council is well aware of the parking issues in this local precinct and how this impacts on off-shore residents. An oversubscribed, over-utilised car park has a significant impact on our quality of life as it results in not being able to park our cars and therefore an inability to easily access our commuter boats or ferry transport. I don't object to outdoor seating in this new development but I do object to increasing the total seating capacity for the cafe.
90	I think that this is a great idea in a beautiful spot.

91	I am a Mona Vale local and I frequently visit the General Store on the weekends to enjoy the music, food and atmosphere here. I think this will significantly increase the value of the restaurant and allow more visitors to enjoy the venue as it is regularly booked out. It will make the most of the space around the venue and increase the ambience due to being surrounded by the beautiful water and national park views. It is a 100% YES from me!
92	I agree with this outdoor space to be used for outdoor dining and the increased area. I do not object to the extended lease if it is comparable to any lease for the remainder of the building
93	I support both the proposed walkway in particular (even though past the closing date) and the outdoor dining application. However, I note that when one clicks on the Proposal link all you get is the same photo as appears below, with no further info?
94	It's a shame that a boardwalk has to be built around this restaurant, I feel that it will spoil the area. I think the council has done a good job with its works already done and made it accessible to the public . Why make the area like Manly with hordes of people walking past as you eat. People can enjoy the area as it is, upgrade the path already in existence.
95	Great Idea
96	We do not want any change in the dining area even if the number of people are the same. We consider this the thin edge of the wedge to provide an OK for this for so many years. We would like recognition of the offshore residents and the terrible difficulties we are facing in parking and other services. It is untenable that we cannot find a parking space over the weekends! Anything that makes it more attractive for people to come to Church Point under these circumstances is unacceptable for my family.
97	I don't support this proposal as there is too much dining space and too few carparks. This will only add to the overcrowding and parking issues at church point.
98	I approve of the seating and all the work being done by council to improve the area. The main issue still is the parking, the Church Point area is now frequented by many out of the area. With this expansion for the Waterfront Cafe and The Pasadena holding functions from Tuesday through to Sunday and the likely hood of the Pasadena Pantry being expanded as a Cafe/Deli area. Council needs to address the main issue still, Parking for the Offshore Residents, has gone on for years, not resolved still with the new car park and is only going to get worse. What is Council's solution for Parking for the residents and businesses alike? We need a solution before any further development or licenses approved in this area.
99	More seating equals increased demand on parking. With combined DA's in this precinct have called for hundreds more seating and yet no one seems to ever consider the parking. It seems as if seating is infinite despite parking being finite. Please apply some common sense here.

100	The car parking at Church Point Car Park is already packed and it is difficult to get a car spot. This will make it worse. The residents of the offshore community are already suffering from having no car spots because of the Ausgrid project. This will make it even harder. Give the Scotland Island residents a break and do not allow The Waterfront more space and seating.
101	I am in favour of approval of this licence for outdoor eating. If this increases the number of potential diners then provision should be made for additional parking in an area not currently used for parking. In simple terms the erection of a second level car park above the existing open area car park would solve the problem. The applicant would need to contribute to the cost of construction.
102	I am concerned at the additional congestion this proposal will create, particularly in terms of weekend & evening parking. As it is on a Sunday afternoon when there is live music at the Waterfront Store and a function at the Pasadena, there is nowhere for residents to park in order to access our homes & so we sit and wait for a patron to leave, up to 1hr. Even the 10 minute zone fills up with cars parked illegally. With such limited (now timed) street parking on Eastview Rd there is literally is nowhere to go when Church Point is at peak numbers. And this is without the additional seating being proposed. Very concerned at the basics & our quality of life being further eroded.
103	I believe increasing the number of patrons dining at the restaurants is only going to exacerbate the problem of parking for off shore residents. It is impossible to find a spot on weekends to go home, and the rangers are not doing their job of punishing offenders illegally parked. The management of parking for the offshore residents of coasters retreat in Palm beach (same rates, same council) is very different. Not normal!
104	Number of parking spots available is limited. Residents need them now that parking on street is restricted. Council cannot add more traffic by increasing dining area! Residents wouldn't be able to go home.... which is basic right of anyone who pays fees to the council.
105	I object to the granting of an outdoor dining licence to the Waterfront Café and General Store. An earlier proposal from NBC was that a walkway from Pittwater Rd to the ferry terminal would provide a safer alternative for foot traffic coming to and from the car park/boat tie-up than the current situation. This is no longer the case. If the walkway is to be occupied by tables, chairs and the coming and goings of patrons and wait staff I can see the need for traffic controllers with Stop and Go signs or a lane marked Pedestrians Only. More visitors equals less parking for offshore residents again.
106	Suggest HALF that area and will need to be monitored as they don't adhere to guest limits inside current restaurant. This badly affects local parking which is overstretched already. It is impossible for locals to park on weekends.
107	We are local to the area offshore community and it's a very congested area already. Often hard to Park when we arrive home with shopping bags and kids etc. traffic and people. Bikes in large groups at weekends. This small area cannot sustain more incoming day troopers on a weekend and weekday when tradies have to work and park etc. the environmental impact must also be considered. This proposal is too intense for this small area.
108	I support extension of time for the proposed outdoor dining licence to provide certainty for Waterfront Café management. However, I do NOT support the concept that the primary purpose of the proposed

	Boardwalk is to be an anchor point for moving the Ferry Wharf to the front of the Waterfront Café. This concept entirely destroys the historic ambience of Church Point.
109	Very supportive of this sort of development in the area. We need to support local businesses who provide employment and entertaining facilities for the local community.
110	I am in support of the proposal. All local businesses need our help as much as possible to create jobs and boost the economy. The local area would also benefit from more dining and drinking establishments as we have very few, relative to other areas. If nothing else, COVID-19 has showed us the need to support our own country and especially local and small businesses and to do whatever is necessary to boost rather than hamper entrepreneurial spirit, small business and the economy. Please Note, I would not have known about the opportunity to submit my opinion if my husband was not a member of the Bayview Church Point resident association, therefore it was by sheer luck we found out about this. Therefore you need to make these things far more accessible and inclusive especially now as the Manly Daily is no longer being distributed. You should be sending this out to all ratepayers by email at the very least.
111	Let them have a go. An outdoor dining option near home is perfect for me, as long as outdoor dining is limited till 10PM.
112	Parking in the area is already severely congested, especially at night and on the weekends, despite the addition of the new car park. I feel this is partly due to the patrons of both restaurants as well as the removal of some of the free street parking (that was turned into 4P). I do not feel that additional seating should be allocated to either restaurant while residents still face difficulties parking their cars so that they may access their homes.
113	Brilliant idea to utilise the walkway as an opportunity for outdoor dining on the water and to have this approval extended so that the owners can invest with confidence in continuing to provide a great experience for diners while fitting in with the broader changes being made around the precinct. Can't wait to have my first cappuccino (or cocktail) there. Naysayers on various forums complaining about increased parking issues don't seem to have read the detail, which confirms no additional patrons are part of this proposal - or tried the bus or keoride !
114	No resident on or off shore wants this. Unless they are lining their pocket. It's a travesty and swindle to the local community's access of the parking lot & surrounding areas. No local members wanted the Pacifica open in the first place & even more so. No one wants to hear weddings all night drowning out our quiet coastal community. The Pasadena is ruining our parking, our community, and is a downright abomination in the face of basic law. The Pasadena a has been petitioned, protested & taken to court as NO locals want it. It's a abomination & a travesty that this illegal venue is still operating.
115	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Church Point interchange is a major transportation hub for local and offshore communities 2. It is located in the middle of residential area, characterized by its quiet and tranquillity, and is surrounded by alcohol free zone 3. This area experiences constant problems with overcrowding, parking shortage and noise pollution 4. Approving outdoor dining space will increase Waterfront Cafe's capacity, adding pressure to existing parking problem 5. It will also increase noise pollution of the area due to increased patronage, usage of sound amplifying equipment and absence of noise reducing structures.

	<p>6. It will also make access to wharf via the new pedestrian walkway either more difficult or outright impossible, negating any positive effect of that publicly funded development.</p> <p>7. This will have detrimental effect on quality of life and property values of surrounding local and offshore communities.</p> <p>8. Based on above considerations, I urge you to deny proposed application.</p>
116	<p>I strongly object to any increase in outside patronage seating on the following 4 grounds.</p> <p>(1) Severe impact on the ambience and pedestrian traffic.</p> <p>(2) Increase in noise projected across open waterways to offshore residential premises.</p> <p>(3) This proposal is similar to the proposal made by the adjacent Pasadena licensee, thus it should be rejected in the similar manner.</p> <p>(4) There is no additional parking provided for the additional patronage, therefore there will be additional stress for offshore residents to park.</p>
117	<p>I strongly oppose the application on the following grounds,</p> <p>1/ Additional patronage to the restaurant with the increase demands on the limited parking, especially during the evening hours when residential parking requirement is at its maximum will worsen an existing parking problems. 2/ The restaurant already avail's itself of additional seating in the adjacent park and wharf entrance. 3/ Additional ambient noise from additional external seating of patrons and the increase in electronic noise and professional bands.</p>
118	<p>The submission should be rejected.</p> <p>The new walkway and wharf area was designed and sold to the community as being for public access. The proposed outdoor dining area will alienate the area from public access and with it being across from the boardwalk from the kitchen that is serving it, will lead to increased congestion.</p> <p>The venue that has applied for the dining area has a history of alienating public land for private use and it is highly likely that they would not stay within the licensed area.</p>
119	<p>One question is where is the influx of cars going to park exclusive Islanders car-park and the other car-parks seem rather full already. This will only acerbate the chaos of turning vehicles around the Post Office & Pasadena.</p>
120	<p>The proposed increase in the size of theWaterfront Cafe will bring more people and cars making the parking problem worse in this already congested area.</p> <p>There is a parking problem now and the Pasadena restaurant is not even open for business.</p>
121	<p>Anything that will bring more cars to Church Point should be avoided. This area still has a parking problem.</p> <p>The whole Point is the transport hub for off-shore residents and boat owners and should be kept free of large crowds. It is already very crowded now on weekends.</p>
122	<p>I do not support this application. There is already too much parking congestion, noise and the like associated with the businesses in his location. What is needed is more public space for the community to enjoy the location not larger commercial activities.</p>
123	<p>I have lived in Elvina Bay for 24 years. I have felt the effects increased activity at Church Point Cafe/Pasadena has had on parking and do not wish to re live it. Supply and demand. Our current parking situation can accommodate our needs but I fear this expansion will nullify the years fighting, planning and building said car park. It's madness. Please don't allow this to happen. The Cafe has a great relationship with the offshore community and I know many of the staff on a first name basis. Expanding</p>

	is greedy and shows they are willing to put an entire community second for an extra buck in their pocket. I hope this helps. Thank you!
124	I do not support the use of Crown Land for private commercial use. The existing dining space can be opened to the boardwalk but should NOT impinge on Crown Land public area.
125	I strongly DISAGREE with the proposal to allow Commercial activity on Crown Land - ie allowing customers to sit out on the new boardwalk in front of the Waterfront Cafe. I see this as setting an UNACCEPTABLE PRECEDENCE for other applications of a similar nature. At Manly Wharf, there was similar pressure, but this was resolved by allowing the Restaurant to have open windows to the view, with benches for meals or drinks, but with customers sitting INSIDE the confines of the restaurant, and thus retaining the PUBLIC RIGHT TO CROWN LAND on the wooden walkway outside. Serving staff remained INSIDE.
126	Extra patrons unfortunately mean the need for extra parking and parking is already an issue in this area.
127	That the application be denied because even with the amount of customer space available now there is insufficient parking at church point. This application would only attract more people to church point who are unable to park their cars
128	There is insufficient parking and amenity for the existing number of tables at both the waterfront cafe and the Pasadena. More tables will add to the already unsustainable capacity of the car parks
129	Even as they exist at present the number of people and their cars being crammed into church point is simply untenable. The residents paid for and are paying for the new car park which is now being totally monopolised by the businesses operating at church point. At no cost to them. Any further capitulation to their interests at the expense and inconvenience of offshore residents is another gross betrayal
130	An increase in the number of patrons will necessarily lead to an increase in kitchen requirements. This area within the waterside café is already messy & cramped with garbage regularly dumped on the southern side of the building. There is no detail available to indicate how this issue will be solved. Will the existing pedestrian access to the south of the café be removed? modified? altered to provide safe and clean access for pedestrians not wanting to walk around the boardwalk & thence via Thomas Stevens reserve? This building (supposedly heritage listed) is fast turning into an eyesore and the proposed development does not improve the situation. It is not sufficient for Council to indicate that this is part of the next phase of the overall project...it needs to be thought out and planned NOW. (along with information provided to the public) Secondly, if the operating hours are to be extended to 10pm, this will necessitate permanent lighting to be erected. This WILL have a negative impact on neighbouring properties. Thirdly, outdoor dining will inevitably increase noise levels and if operating hours are to be extended to 10pm then again this extra noise will be unacceptable. Lastly, how will the use of the restricted area be monitored by Council...it is inevitable that the proprietors will "creep" into the public area over time and given a proposed late closing time, it is unlikely that there will be Council rangers present to force compliance. Why not solve these last three issues by having a sunset closure time?

131	Great idea! Love the waterfront cafe and would be a great place to sit and have lunch
132	<p>There is inadequate parking available for local residents of the offshore community. The re-opening of the adjacent Pasadena has only exacerbated the issue.</p> <p>There is little consideration made for local residents who often have to park blocks away late in the evening to get home.</p> <p>I disagree with the expansion of the church point cafe.</p>
133	There is already a large amount of seating at this restaurant. Parking is limited and at times frustrating for the residents of the island and offshore. Unless the restaurant can provide parking or private bus transport I would say no to additional seating.
134	Where would the customers park there is NOT anywhere near the required parking as it is.
135	Looks like an awesome plan - but how will you support it by addressing the already disastrous parking situation in that area?
136	Church Point already has the current Waterfront cafe setup, including outside service counter and seating. I'm not sure if the Waterfront cafe outside services are council approved or just opportunistic. There is also the Pasadena hotel, plus Pantry and Fresh take away services. I see no need to expand these services. There is already plenty of choice. Parking at the weekends plus holidays, plus sometimes sunny weekdays, is already totally saturated.
137	How is it possible for local residents to accurately comment on this proposal when the details of the public works in this area seem to be unavailable and incomplete? Can we see a plan that shows NBC's final plan for the completion of the Church Point boardwalk and realignment of McCarrs creek road at the site in question? Currently we have a beautiful new boardwalk that ends abruptly with a bottleneck and some second-hand pool fencing. Nobody seems to know what or when something will happen next. I am strongly opposed to this application as a result.
138	New dining facility is good if boat access from Pittwater is provided.
139	<p>I am opposed.</p> <p>Any increase in patronage, negatively affects all current users of other amenities. Parking is still a major problem here. Patrons of both the Pasadena & Church point cafe, use the 5 minute parking area set aside for boat loading, as long term "spillover" parking when nothing else nearby is available. Severley inconveniencing locals day & night.</p>
140	<p>Any increase in patronage impacts heavily on offshore residents access to their residence.</p> <p>Parking is & has been a problem here for 40 years.</p> <p>It is not uncommon for residents to search for 1 hour to find local parking. The 10 minute loading area at commuter wharf is jammed with illegal parkers during peak times, excluding locals from easily loading their boats.</p> <p>I therefore strongly object & oppose the application.</p>
141	No. Already I sleep in my van 4km away when I can't get home due to lack of parking spaces. I cannot access my post box on the site because the premises are blocking access which resulted in moving post box to Mona Vale. I struggle with my shopping

	and (89) mum because of the premises already spill on to public land. I feel any further development at this site of an already busy hub will further impact heavily on access and egress for off shore community, it already can be a hazard for my elderly mum with so many visitors and cyclist.
142	<p>I am of the opinion that this proposal should NOT be accepted. I believe the current area allocated is more than enough to serve the needs of the area, for the following reasons:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> *This will reduce the family friendly atmosphere this area provides, stopping briefly for ice creams and snacks without having to push the sight of more drinking in childrens' view. *children should be able to catch the school ferry without even more drinkers hanging around, families can continue to fish from the wharf without the excessive noise created by people drinking. *There are enough drinking holes out of sight on the Northern Beaches without increasing the social harm to community. *I have witnessed many times, excessive drinking on public land in that reserve, far exceeding what would be considered the 'responsible serving of alcohol. * I am already subjected to enough foul language used there, due to excessive drinking quite loudly, regularly without adding to more crowds to such a small area * It is difficult to negotiate baby prams, shopping loading on to ferries and elderly people with walking sticks with the amount of cyclists using the area without adding more people by extending the area dedicated to more even more drinking. * The community does not need more people Urinating on the side of the building on into the water when to drunk, or too lazy, to walk to toilet which I have witnessed many times. * The endless rubbish and cigarette butts dropped or filthy tables too dirty to use due to the already high demands put on such a small community transport hub.
143	Our community is already overly populated and we have little to no car parking availability as it is. Doing this will increase tourism in a detrimental way. Please you don't realise that we cannot accommodate such rapid growth.
144	<p>I am opposed to the granting of a licence for outdoor dining on this public walk way at Church Point.</p> <p>My reason is that Church Point is now over developed with cafes and dining areas both with the Mini Market and the Pasadena. The problem is that these developments put increasing pressure on the existing limited car parking at Church Point. Council, with community financial support has recently added to parking at Church Point but there is still not sufficient parking for the offshore community which is obliged to park at the Church Point car parks. It can be very difficult for residents to find parking on weekends now, despite the new developments.</p> <p>In general I would support outdoor dining in such a beautiful position. Diners also create interest for pedestrians using the walkway and there could be the opportunity for a convenient coffee stop on a walk. However Church Point is a special case with a large captive offshore community needing the parking in the adjacent parking areas. Council did not manage to buy back the Pasadena, has not prevented commercial development within the Pasadena and its leasehold areas so the Point is now overdeveloped for cafes and restaurants.</p>
145	I am not in support of the proposed outdoor eating area as it increase the noise level in the area and also increase the traffic (human and cars) which already puts a strain on the current parking availability.
146	<p>I disagree with this proposal for the following reasons:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Will the proposed number of tables be adhered to or added to by stealth? 2. The proposed extension will mean walkers will have to walk through cross traffic

	<p>serving the tables. This is an OH+S risk and will lead to confrontation with passers-by.</p> <p>3. What allocation is the licensee making for parking for the extra patrons? Again taking up spaces needed by locals.</p> <p>4. Will smoking be banned or like the other side of the cafe, be allowed thereby inconveniencing everyone who does not smoke?</p>
147	<p>The number of diners allowed in the original allocated area of approx. 40 square metres is 20 , allowing 2square metres for each diner.</p> <p>To increase the number of 40 would mean that an area twice as large would be required which would create a congested area difficult to service, and restrict pedestrian access.</p>
148	<p>I largely am very supportive of the church point master plan inclusive of this proposal.</p> <p>However as a church point resident in the immediate area of the site, the following parts of the plan need to be addressed before further expansion of the licensing area and social spaces grow attracting more people:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - parking: weekend and peak hour parking is nearly impossible, and exceptionally expensive. I can't just drop into the store to pick up groceries on my way home without driving around the block for half an hour and paying \$10/hr for the privilege if I do find a park. Dedicated residents parking (on shore and offshore) as well as church point residents parking permits should be considered. - traffic management: with the increased traffic in the area, the blind corner at the junction of McCarrs and Pittwater needs to be prioritised, including the separate parking area outside Pasadena, the pedestrian island / crossing area and reduced speed zones. With so many "tourists" fighting locals for parks, and the buses and bikes, it's a danger to kids and locals trying to cross the road to head up the hill. - noise: there should be restrictions on live music and noise on the outdoor dining as it will carry across the water way
149	<p>It must be remembered that sound over water carries incredibly and the site is on water and is in a residential area .Currently the music that emanates on a Sunday evening from the indoor premises can be heard from quite some distance away. One would have to assume that there would definitely be no outdoor musical entertainment .</p> <p>However, with a liquor license and dining until 10.00 pm there would sure to be a noise level that would be at an unacceptable level to local residents. And of course parking in the area is already stretched to its limits and does not need any further attractions to be at Church Point .</p>
150	<p>I would like to make a submission to the above application.</p> <p>I would like Council to reject the extension of the licence to 18 years and retain the current 12 month limit.</p> <p>18 years is too long a time. Many things can change in that period and the local community may feel they want to remove the boardwalk from commercialisation. It will be good to have the option to reconsider rather than be locked in for such a long time given that it is a new development and we do not know how well it will all work out.</p>
151	<p>For some time I have been aware of the Waterfront Café at Church Point applying for an extension on a jetty to provide additional tables. They have a large restaurant downstairs and have opened up their restaurant upstairs able to accommodate dozens more tables so I am totally against their application to extend. Perhaps I'm too late and that has been approved already but I hope not. Having been a resident in</p>

	<p>Bayview for 30 years the Waterfront Café was where I could go to dine regularly but now it's impossible due to the parking problem with the Pasadena Restaurant being a popular destination as well.</p> <p>Can you let me know where the Waterfront Café application to extend now stands?</p>
152	<p>As a resident and person having to park at church point I strongly oppose any increase in patronage of any business at church point. Again it seems the WPCA are acting against the interests of the community by supporting this proposal.</p>
153	<p>I would like to point out that your premise in considering the application is flawed in that it states that it "does not propose any increase to existing patron numbers". This is likely to be the case whilst the current COVID restrictions (social distancing, etc.) are in place but as soon as normal conditions are resumed (post COVID) it is an absolute given that patron numbers will increase; otherwise, the Application would not be being made by the Waterfront Cate proprietors. Therefore, it is understandable that you would consider a short term licence but with the current Application now being proposed to run for an extended period of 18 years, other environmental issues need to be considered.</p> <p><u>It is inevitable that ranting increased operating space 'Nill result in increased numbers and</u> as a local resident, we bear the brunt of this in increased noise pollution and (probably more importantly) parking congestion. Local residents were ignored when they pointed out these concerns with the (re) development of the adjacent Pasadena and both of these issues have subsequently eventuated as teared.</p> <p>Whilst we are not opposed to the basic principle of the Waterfront Cate extending its operating space into the square, Council needs to consider the conditions attached to the possible granting of the licence. Regarding the aforementioned problems; I would strongly recommend that the licence has restricted hours of operation and does not allow for music (live or otherwise) to be played in this space. Furthermore, careful consideration needs to be given to the on-going parking problems as it is simply naive to believe that patron numbers will not increase once COVID restrictions have been lifted and demand for parking spaces on local streets increases accordingly. This will be further exacerbated if bus services to Church Point are reduced (or even stopped) as is currently planned.</p> <p>Therefore, in the interests of protecting the local residents who have long suffered the ramifications indiscreet/illegal parking, I would strongly urge Council to use this opportunity to ensure that current parking restrictions are properly monitored and enforced with frequent scheduled policing by the Ranger , especially at peak periods and holiday times.</p> <p>I trust that this will be taken into consideration when considering the Application.</p>
154	<p>Thank you for this update, appreciated as I am a long term resident of 40+ years and also a reasonably frequent user of the café.</p> <p>It is a special part of the world and a lovely setting, especially in the late afternoon, but it certainly does need an update, difficult with the heritage of the property.</p> <p>I am hoping that the new outside seating and walkway will achieve this.</p>

	<p>I am sure that Council will eventually make this area as lovely as the board walk and parking area, and also much safer for pedestrians.</p> <p>Re the license, I consider 18 years to be a very long time for any license, especially in a sensitive area and when many commercial leases are 5+5 years only. It could be that the current owners will move on and we have no idea of who might take over the site if they choose to do so.</p> <p>I would therefore suggest that Council allows a 5 year period as a trial with the understanding that if the license agreement has been fully adhered to that a further agreement be allowed for 10 years. At that point submissions would need to be reconsidered as I am sure our area will continue to change especially as the rest of Sydney is 'discovering us'.</p>
155	<p>I would like to lend my fulsome support to the granting of this licence. The Waterfront Cafe is an extremely valuable amenity to the community of Church Point, Scotland Island and the Western Bays. Any enhancement to its viability should be enthusiastically encouraged both from a viability, tourism and employment point of view.</p>