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RE: DA2021/1541 - 20 Albert Street FRESHWATER NSW 2096

I have three concerns with this DA.

Firstly, I am surprised that a DA is looking to remove two parking spaces from the busy Freshwater shopping precinct. People can spend significant time driving around looking for parks here. Of course this has not always been the case during lockdown and/or while businesses have been operating differently and people have not been having their normal work and school activities since March 2020 so any traffic data collected during that time is different to the normality that we all hope will return. The harder it is for people to park the more likely that people will be deterred from visiting the shopping precinct and will also tell others not to bother coming.

Even if somehow it is approved that these parking spaces can be removed, they should not be replaced with a busy outdoor seating area that is open into the evening and until late as they are located immediately adjacent to residences. We know from experience that even where a restaurant is located on the other side of the road (Lawrence Street) that even during the day - when there will be more extraneous noise - that the sound travels across very clearly. It is like the customers are chatting on your balcony. In this case it would have to be like they were in the room with you.

Lastly, the restaurant is only one storey but the apartment block is higher so there need to be controls on the restaurant's ventilation to prevent cooking smells and the like flowing directly into the apartments.