To Whom it may concern,

Ref: Public Exhibition Document PEX2024/0005

I am writing to formally express my strong opposition to the proposed development in Freshwater, as outlined in the recent proposal. As a long standing resident of the Freshwater community, I am deeply concerned about the negative impacts this development would have on our neighborhood.

Firstly, the introduction of this development would significantly worsen local traffic congestion. Our area already experiences considerable traffic during peak times, and adding more commercial and residential space would exacerbate this issue.

Secondly, the proposal threatens to increase noise levels in an area that is currently valued for its relative tranquility. The potential for heightened noise disturbances would certainly disrupt the quality of life for many residents, particularly those living within the surrounding streets.

Furthermore, there is a real concern about the potential for increased unwarranted behavior and disturbances in our community, it is a weekly occurrence that groups will walk the surrounding streets after departing The Harbord Hilton quite frankly being a nuisance.

Freshwater Village and its surrounding areas already offer ample choices for social venues, including three bars within the village itself, as well as the Harbord Diggers and the Hilton. The existing establishments adequately meet the needs of our community, and there is no justification for additional bars or similar spaces.

The Freshwater community has consistently shown that we value the peaceful, familyfriendly nature of our neighborhood. This proposal does not align with our vision for maintaining and enhancing the character of our area. The overwhelming sentiment among residents is one of opposition to this development, we do not support their proposed plan or any larger scale plans that they really are looking to push through once they have the zoning they require.

In conclusion, I urge you to reconsider this proposal and take into account the significant concerns raised by the Freshwater community. We believe that the current amenities are sufficient and that this development would detract from the quality of life that residents cherish.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. I look forward to your understanding and hope for a decision that reflects the best interests of the Freshwater community.

Sincerely, Rosita Rose