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meeting

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## Dear team

Please register me to ensure that the following areas of the Market Lane will be addressed at your upcoming June 1 meeting

Application No. DA2021/2065 Address: Market Lane Manly

Description: Use of premises (part Road Premises (for a 'Small Bar')

We are concerned that the new pop festival entertainment was done without consulting the business owners of the surrounding area.

We own several offices in 21 Sydney Rd that face onto Market lane. When we bought them, there was no plan for live music, and with this new application, we don't believe that the business owners have been accommodated into the plan.

The live music during work hours is unacceptable. We teach (university), conduct online meetings, and generate much our income from online (Zoom) conference calls & presentations. The tenants are complaining and 2 have given us notice to move out if it continues.

We are very supportive of these types of events but you must take into account the business owners.

Should Market Lane Pop up Summer Venue become more formalised, please ensure there is protection built into any licencing / legislation from noise during work hours (Monday – Friday 9-6PM)

Should a suitable agreement that works for all be reached, then there needs to be clear procedure to prevent issues, enforce it and manage it. (sounds levels and times).

One example would be a DB reader and signs for DB levels and times so there is no dispute between vendors and business owners.

We need the council to protect the business owners as well as helping the F&B industry, as we would never had brought into this building if we knew there was going to be an open air entertainment venue right below us during office hours. When was this outdoor area rezoned for music? Were affected owners ever consulted? Was a full sound acoustic audit done?

Im not sure what has happened to the official DA and I know that many businesses have complained, but I read in the DA the

- 1) An acoustic report was carried out? FASLE! Why were no local businesses consulting during this? We were never contacted, no one came up to hear or measure the noise?
- 2) Music would not be permitted to start until after business hours. (including sound check). FASLE! This is currnlety not happening and will only get worse if its not properly addressed at all levels.
- 3) Where are the toilets?

Something else to consider is to ask the developer to install double glazed sound proof windows in our building for offices that face onto Market lane (13a,b,c,d) /21 Sydney Rd). But this would still need to ensure an acoustic audit is achieved to be acceptable for all stakeholders.

https://www.smh.com.au/national/eastern-suburbs-homes-offered-double-glazing-ventilation-for-club-redevelopment-20210730-p58eef.html

What ever prototype that has been in the experiental "pop up" phase over the last few years has not worked. We are constantly writing to the Manager, Place & Economic Development on Council to ask them to stop the sound starting whilst in business hours. And yet vendors keep doing it. Its still very add-hoc as sometimes (new) sound people start blasting out the music during work hours. We need this put into an enforceable procedure, so we don't have to keep emailing everytime someone pumps up the sound. (and we are in the middle of an online presentation)

Regards

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