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

As a nearby resident in Avalon, our family use Newport village regularly, and have done for many decades. We object to this development proposal for many reasons, but mainly on the grounds of bulk & scale and plain rotten design!

The Newport Masterplan is an important document that should influence the design of any future development, but has been disregarded in the case of this DA.

There is so much potential for great architecture on this site. It could be the village hub, and is the only street that is off the main road that could be developed as a beautifully designed meeting place where great landscape and architecture could come together and residents could meet, eat, listen to music and enjoy the Newport vibe.

We are also opposed to the removing of the large gum tree on the northern side of Robertson Road. This is an iconic tree and should not be removed - and could be included as a centrepiece of the landscaping for a shared zone/eat street type plan.

There should be shared underground parking as per Newport Masterplan and generous building set backs and awnings to compliment the beautiful greenery & plantings in Newport.

The new buildings constructed in the past decade in Newport are almost, without exception, some of the worst design possible and do nothing to improve Newport aesthetically or improve the amenity of the village for residents or tourists.

Please reject this DA and enforce the Newport Masterplan and its ideas. Thank you.