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RE: DA2019/1119 - 4 / 0 Bennett Street CURL CURL NSW 2096

We STRONGLY OBJECT TO THE MARKETS AT HARBORD BOWLING CLUB on the basis of traffic congestion, parking, noise and zoning.

We back directly onto the oval and the bowling club. NEARLY EVERY AFTERNOON, WEEKENDS, BOTH SATURDAY AND SUNDAY AND WEEKNIGHTS are already taken up by various sporting groups, with practice in the afternoons and evenings and playing games both Saturday and Sundays, year round.

The narrowness of the streets and the parking on both sides, with no footpaths, creates an unsafe environment, especially when many of the users of the amenities are young children. The area between Freshwater High and the entrance to the bowling club is a narrow street and traffic already backs up when school or sports are in progress. Bennett Street and Stirgess Avenue are often gridlocked from parking allowing only one car through at a time, especially during sports on weekends, both summer and winter. Weekends are already horrendous and cars block the streets, making traffic a nightmare. The notion that market attendees will walk across the park from Freshwater high is fanciful, especially given this parking lot is already full from sporting traffic. The residential streets are not capable of coping with even more out of area traffic.

The Bowling Club has the soccer which runs late into the evening, often to 11 PM and will often host rock bands and parties. There is already constant noise. We accept that sports noise and participation is part of living in the area and we are happy for sporting teams that provide exercise and mental health opportunities to utilise the fields and amenities. There is a monthly car show, with noisy cars arriving on site from 7am on Sundays. If this plan is approved, we will be subjected to this every Sunday, further reducing the amenity of the area.

This area is zoned for recreation. It was not the intention of these zoning rules for one organisation to dominate 50 of the 52 weeks of the year with a retail function, as proposed in the application.

Whilst there is a need in the area for fresh produce and food markets, there is already a fresh food market every Sunday in Freshwater village, which is the logical place to house such an activity. We need to fix Freshwater village and return it into a viable retail space which can accommodate the needs of the community. .

This proposal, if given approval, will result in an unsafe environment, congested streets, excessive noise and is poorly considered for the local area. Thank you for your consideration of the local residents.