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**From:** Simon Barlow  
**Sent:** Thursday, 10 February 2022 8:18 PM  
**To:** Planning Panels - Northern Beaches  
**Subject:** Fwd: Submission re: DA2020/1756

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Hi Carly,

I forward a late submission from Richard James, minister at St Michaels, Foamcrest Ave.

As I am not sure it will be received by you, I ask you please, like you did with the last document I sent you, to forward this to the planning panel.

It is extremely important and relevant.

Kind regards

Simon Barlow

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From: **Richard @ Newport Church**

Date: Thu, Feb 10, 2022 at 11:11 AM

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# DA2020/1756

- **Negative impact to the primary goal of developing a major Restaurant Communal Area**

## Primary Issue

Being the first Development of Robertson Street

- **This Development fails to set a precedent for promoting a Community Hub**
1. Most concerning about the DA is
    - it does not address the goal of Robertson Street
    - becoming the Newport central location
    - of a social/restaurant/entertainment area
  2. In fact it doesn't include any real acknowledgement of this primary goal for this crucial area.
  3. References to the example of the thriving of multiple areas in Melbourne have been numerous.
    - This application provides zero contribution to any of the key elements of such successful areas.

## Specific Issues

**Robertson Street - negative contribution to community hub focus**

1. None of the South Facing retail space planned on Robertson is suitable/ideal for restaurants.

2. The plan provides no space for gathering outside - instead is reduced to narrowest pedestrian space permitted.

#### **Robertson Street - negative impact of vehicle entrance/exit for residential and deliveries**

1. As planned a significant proportion of the Robertson Street South side is devoted to car park and loading dock access.
2. This will significantly diminish even mitigate against community hub development

#### **Robertson Street - Flagged Future Parking access**

1. At the last public meeting the council hosted possible future parking access could be from Foamcrest.
2. The church was even mentioned as a possible location for this
3. Under no circumstance would the church approve this as it would significantly impact our open space - which is the only available in the precinct.
4. A similar proposal of parking access from Foamcrest Avenue on redeveloped Post Office site is a poor solution.

Thank you for your consideration  
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