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To: [Planning Panels - Northern Beaches](#)
Subject: Urgent Re: Roberston Rd, Newport - DA2020/1756
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Dear Planning Panel

I am writing to express my horror and opposition to the planned development proposal at Robertson Rd, Newport, DA 2020/1756. It is a modernistic higher level commercial enterprise façade which is totally out of character for the area and will spoil the natural beachside village atmosphere that is the charm and appeal of living in and visiting Newport.

Robertson Rd is the heart of the Newport village precinct and should be preserved as a community hub area for alfresco dining and street level gathering and activity, not as an access way to underground parking and commercial business enterprises. Any upgrade or changes to shops and frontages in this street should be of a more low level individual artisan design to complement the relaxed, open and natural feel of the community vibe that does and should continue to abound in this area.

The large majority of Newport residents don't want this kind of development and we are constantly having to battle against the greed of the business interests of developers or council plans which are initiated by either state planning targets, pressure from commercial financial interests or a perceived need for 'progress' regardless of any negative effect on the character or residents living in the area.

So please put the community first and stop this unsightly development.

Yours sincerely

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