



2/54 Bennett St.
Curl Curl (2096)
4 Nov. 2019

Mr. Phil Lane
Principal Planner
Northern Beaches Council
725 Pittwater Road
Dee Why 2099

Dear Sir,

Ref.:DA2019/1119-Proposed Market at Harbord bowling club

We the residents of 54 Bennett Street Curl Curl situated within close proximity to the proposed market are firmly opposed to Northern Beaches Council approving the application for the following reasons:

- We occupy an over 55's residential purchased on a reasonable understanding that our immediate neighbourhood would have normal traffic flow for this area and attendant peace and quiet.
- Both Bennett Street and Stirgess Avenue are used extensively on weekends during the sports season resulting in traffic congestion and selfish parking, often blocking egress and entry to our common driveway. Some drivers have actually ignored Council signage relating to prohibited parking outside our premises on weekends (last reported incident to council on 27th April).
- Parking congestion is our major concern. 91 car spaces have been allocated in the plan either within the Harbord Bowling Club zone or nearby. 89 Spaces are also available at Freshwater Senior Campus. Irrespective of the adequacy of the spaces needed to accommodate all of the patron's motor vehicles, drivers will attempt to park closest to the points of entry to the market area. Consequently, every available space in Bennett Street and Stirgess Avenue would be taken up before considering to park in the campus grounds. This will continue the parking congestion that we, local residents have had to put up with during the sporting season. We object to the burden of 50 Sundays of this problem to which Council should not approve.
- The introduction of a Sunday market will attract many extra motor vehicles increasing the likelihood of traffic congestion, selfish and illegal parking, litter, noise and general inconvenience to local residents (be they young or elderly).
- The location of a weekend market would be better served by being in a non-residential area with access to more appropriate parking facilities.

We as local residents and rate payers have elected our Local Government representatives to truly attend to and maintain the standards of good governance for the Northern Beaches. Please consider our well-being by making the responsible and decent decision to not approve the subject application.

Yours sincerely,

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