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

I wish to express my concern regarding the up coming development of Robertson Rd Newport. Having been a resident of the Northern Beaches for over 55 yrs and a resident of Newport itself for over 30 of those years, I have watched in horror the degradation of the area as a whole and the subsequent loss of community feel. This I am largely sure is due to the ill planned development of buildings, not only commercial but also residential, and the development plan which has been submitted falls into this category. Surely as we rise from the aftermath of the pandemic, have we not learnt the lessons of the value of community and the nurturing of what is good about our area.

This development proposal is ill suited and does not consider the wishes of the community, who are begging for a more village like feel which would attracted both family and individuals to frequent the area, thus helping the local economy. Newport as it stands now, is a hodgepodge of unattractive single developments which say so much more about the developer and less about the public that it is serving.

Was there not a master plan devised several years back and did it not suggest looking at Newport as a whole??

Please reconsider this proposal and stand up for a more considered option of attractiveness and a lower profiling, that could satisfy both the local community and the developer, whilst maintaining a more enviable village feel. Please please, say no to this development and think of the area as a whole, which will in turn create a haven for all