

Alan Cadogan - Fwd: Thomas Street Chatswood, car park development:MP09_0066 Mod 6

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Alan - submission for the file.

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The Hon. Brad Hazzard MP
 Minister for Planning and Infrastructure
 Governor Macquarie Tower
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Dear Minister Hazzard,

I am writing to you to outline my concern and strong disapproval of the development, of what I believe is overdevelopment of the Thomas St car park (development:MP09_0066 Mod 6) in Chatswood.

I have lived in Chatswood for 40 years and have strong ties in the community. My children are in local schools, I shop at Chatswood, it is our transport hub, my Mother is in an aged care facility in Mowbray Rd. I am in Chatswood every single day and it is becoming more and more inaccessible to live, travel through, park and shop in. To have to cross Chatswood to visit my mother in Mowbray coming from Fullers Rd , takes 35 min to travel 2 km !!

I have to say it is getting less and less pleasant with each passing year. A certain level of development has brought improvements, more entertainment and retail jobs. But enough is enough, there is a limit and we have reached it. You can see from the mass of construction and current building shells that we have gone beyond the limit.

There was an initial design for Chatswood of a "Bell Curve". This provides an outline where the buildings on the edges get lower in profile. The Thomas St proposed modifications make the profile look like the edge of 250 metre cliff.

I would like to bring several areas of concern to you.

I believe the proposed modifications are:

- out of proportion with the surrounding area
- will cause overshadowing of current open space at Chatswood oval and Memorial garden.
- a massive overdevelopment of the site. Modification 6 is an increase in size by a third.
- lack of open space: excessive floor space ratio proportion
- will overload local roads and the Pacific Highway that are already at capacity
- local schools already overcrowded and overcapacity

- local facilities already at capacity.

Please stop this development. Thank you for your support.

Sincerely,

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Chatswood