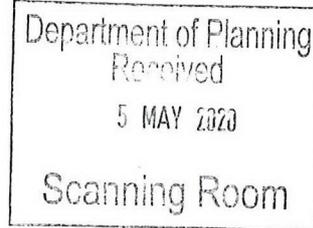


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Dear Sir/Madam

Amended Development Application submitted by Mirvac for the Harbourside Shopping Centre

I object to this amended plan on my own behalf and secondly on behalf of the Cockle Bay environment.

I am a resident of One Darling Harbour located immediately behind this site. My small apartment is on Level 2 and has a garden stretching along the front of the three rooms. At present I look out through my shrubs at the attractive prospect of water, bridge, pennants waving in the breeze, and city buildings from the era when low rise near the water ensured a pleasing prospect for all. Sunshine warms my flat in the winter, dries my washing and helps my garden to thrive. All this will be lost if the current proposal is approved. The view and sunshine will be gone and indeed the whole amenity of my apartment will be sadly diminished.

The submission of this amended plan is ill timed. We have just been informed that the government is preparing a plan for the future development of the Pymont peninsula and this would be a major development in the area. Consideration should be delayed so that it will be able to conform with the principles which will be laid down. It defeats the purpose of planning to put it forward now.

If it is to be considered now, then the movement of the tower to the southern end of the site, away from the heritage listed Pymont Bridge, is to be commended. However the proposal now amplifies the volume of the podium and places it against the Bridge again. The massive size proposed has more than doubled the space of the shopping centre, an expansion that can hardly be justified so close to city shops and offices. It certainly could not be justified aesthetically as it would form a looming wall along the edge of Cockle Bay, detracting from its beauty, its sunshine and its boulevard atmosphere

I particularly object to this massive podium thrusting its bulk against the Pymont Bridge, devaluing its story of industrial and mercantile history and clashing with its impressive architecture and engineering.

I trust that this proposal will be rejected and a low rise podium submitted in its place.

Yours sincerely

  
Barbara MacGregor