- To Director General re: Thomas St. carpark/Chatswood - Major Project 09_0066-Modification 6

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Dear Director General,

I am writing to you to object to a modification that has been proposed for a previously approved Major Project. The approved project is:

Major Project 09_0066-Modification 6.

As a daily user of Chatswood's CBD, I wish to voice my objection to the proposal to:

- a) increase the height of Building 1 from 29 storey to 47 storeys,
- b) increase the height of Building 2 from 29 storey to 37 storeys, and
- c) increase the number of parking spots from 258 to 490.

The proposed modifications to increase building height will negatively impact, and possibly even destroy, the 'feel' and airiness of the area around Thomas Street, and also greatly reduce the amount of sunlight that reaches people on the ground.

Although I understand that Chatswood needs more parking places in the CBD, this is not the way to do it.

The proposed modification will achieve an increase in the amount of available parking, but only by sacrificing an existing two storey podium and replacing it with a huge 17-metre high above ground car park, and by ripping up a perfectly acceptable (and approved!) plan.

As well as deepened shadows, reduced sunlight, and increased ugliness, this proposed modification will also mean there is no open air plaza.

How can this be good for Chatswood?

I strongly object to the proposed modification.

Sincerely,

Peter Cummins.