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Dear Local State Government and Darebin Council,

I write today to vehemently opposed the proposal put forward by the State Government (Victorian Planning Authority) pertaining to the future of the Preston Market /site.

Should the current development as proposed commence, I am concerned that the cultural and historical significance will be abolished and instead what is favoured is commercialisation and profit before honouring the space that has for decades provided the local community a sense of culture and belonging.

The following items should be considered:

The proposal for a developer to build above the market and the number of dwellings/ apartments proposed and the height of the buildings will greatly overshadow the central Preston area. Further to this, I am concerned that the traffic and congestion woes will become greatly worse and little consideration has been given to this. This is not adequately addressed in the plans.

The allocation of only 10% as open space is almost an obliteration of what defines this area as a market? Rather, a the commencement of CBD like concrete jungle. Preston is a suburb, and the proposal of this vast high rise housing complex is the sheer reason many people in the community choose to live in suburbia over inner CBD housing complexes.

Environmental sustainability is at the heart/core of Darebin Council as it adequately reflects the rate payers sentiments that Sustainability for a healthy plant for future generations is a critical issue of the time. More needs to be done to increase this aspect of any development. The current proposal lack this!

I support Darebin Council's efforts to champion and reflect the sentiments for many rate payers that reside in the municipality.



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