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I took part in a discussion group concerning the development of the Preston Market Precinct in 2019. That report acknowledged different views about the height/s of the development but I don't think that the Draft Preston Market Precinct Structure Plan accurately depicts building heights.

On pages 15, 29 and 35, the artist impressions of the buildings seem to suggest that they fit in with the activity and environs of the market. However, a diagram on p.26 shows blocks of buildings: one at 20 storeys high, another at 16, another at 13, another at 12 and two at 10 storeys high.

This representation cannot be imagined springing out of a low-rise landscape. While I do support the idea of multi-storey dwellings along transport routes, how would buildings this

high affect the welcoming nature of the market?

There are problems with the multi-storey buildings in Docklands (so why build more?) which really need to be investigated further. For example, is their desolate nature due to the lack of shops, cafes etc in the first place or as a result of them being cheap builds, only attracting transient tenants? From a personal perspective, I lived for more than six months in a large city on the 13th storey of a building. That was fine while I was working and busy, with the convenience of a subway, supermarket and cafes below but on one day when I was sick, I really felt overwhelmed by the isolation of being at such a high level with no sounds drifting

European cities don't have this skyscraper type of mentality and seem far more attractive.

For anyone to be able to consider this plan there probably needs to be frames constructed out of solid material/s to the height and breadth of those buildings in order for people to have a better perspective of the height dominance of those buildings and how much light they could block out.

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