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As a long time resident of Darebin and Preston, I am concerned about Preston Market Precinct structure plan and what it means for the market, existing traders and the community.

By demolishing the market at its current site and retaining very little of its present 'footprint', its character will be fundamentally and irrevocably changed.

The scale of the proposed development on the site, and its excessive built form does not match the character of the neighbourhood. Recent developments in the area of approx 10 storeys have already affected the streetscape and 'community feel' of the precinct and its surrounding residential streets. Any proposed high rise development of 20 storeys would have no support in the local community and should really be reserved for the Melbourne

CBD and immediate surrounds where this built form is commonplace.

I also have concerns regarding the concentration of high rise development on the northern side of the site, the lack of public open space outlined in the scheme, and the lazy planning approach of having a 'traffic' and 'people' street.

Surely better planning controls can be formulated that retain more of the market's vital character, whilst ensuring that any negative externalities from high rise development are mitigated and spaced across the entire site? To me this would result in a more logical and coherent planning approach, not discouraging access to the market from the northern side, and ensuring that traffic flows are evenly distributed so as to not create unnecessary bottlenecks on Murray Road.

Overall, I support the Council's view that this plan are insensitive to local context and the market heritage. I would hope that the Victorian Planning Authority reconsiders these controls so that they properly balance the needs of the Preston community with the private interests of those who own the land.

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