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To whom it may concern,

The Preston Market is the heart of the Preston Community. It is where generations of local people from many different cultures have shopped for fresh and affordable produce, met with their neighbours and local traders who rely on it for their livelihoods. Our family including 3 kids has been shopping there every week for several years.

There is no doubt the market buildings are in need of some love and attention and there is a need for additional housing in Preston in the future. However the proposed changes to include over 2000 dwellings are excessive and can only be described as over-development. The 20 and 16 story buildings proposed (which it should be noted, do not seem to appear in the 'artist impressions' in the proposal, these are more like 4-6 story buildings) will create huge monolithic towers overlooking and overshadowing the suburb. There is not the amenity within the area to cope with this highly concentrated increase dwellings.

There should be at least an 8-10 story limit to the buildings in this precinct in keeping with the character of the area. This would keep the number of people that can be properly housed and served in the area wedged between the train line and 3 streets often at traffic gridlock already, to a manageable quantity.

The shuffling of the market into the Eastern side of the precinct under the 'mixed use development' will surely serve to destroy the market's character and attraction for the community that has relied upon it for decades. Then, when the market has dwindled to nothing, deserted by shoppers who no longer feel it's welcoming warmth and character, the land will become more soulless apartments. We will all be poorer for it.

I urge you to reconsider the structure plan for the Preston Market area.



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