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RE: Submission to Victorian Planning Authority's draft Preston Market Structure Plan

The Preston Market is a beloved institution that provides so much for the Preston community and for many others across Melbourne.

I am so lucky to have had strong attachments to the market throughout my life. As a child, my dad took me grocery shopping there every Saturday morning. As an adult, my husband and I bought our home in large part due its proximity to the market.

But change is necessary. Development must proceed to meet Preston's population growth,

improvements are needed to ensure that the structure and space remains fit for purpose and meets the highest standards of environmental sustainability, and Preston overall would benefit from additional community and green space. The plans submitted, however, fall short in delivering on these needs clearly and unequivocally.

An improved set of plans would include:

1. Certainty for the future of the market: The community wants and needs a clear commitment that the future of the whole existing fresh food and grocery market is secure, both in final plans for the market and for the duration of the development.
2. Housing stock that is affordable and built to last: I was pleased to see that the Preston Market Affordable Housing Strategy (Affordable Development Outcomes, November 2020) aims to include 10 per cent of dwelling yield as affordable housing. The plans do not, however, adequately commit to the quality and longevity of the housing builds overall.
3. Considered and detailed plans for ensuring environmental sustainability: Commitments to energy ratings for new buildings are the bare minimum for the Precinct's upgrade. Facilities and housing stock must be designed for a zero-emissions future and a closed loop circular economy. Green space should be maximised, particularly to meet the needs of Preston's growing population.

At present, I am concerned that the plans do not meet the needs of the community and would be devastated to see a strong development opportunity squandered.

It is a beautiful thing to spend time at the market and enjoy its rich atmosphere. There are few places left that so strongly mark the importance of a meeting place for community, and this quality must be valued and nurtured as the Preston Market Precinct moves into its next phase of life.

Yours faithfully,



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