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The Proposal by the VPA presents a gross over development of the Preston Market Site. No other building in the Darebin LGA are built to such a height and density as proposed by the VPA. The lack of open space and adequate amenities onsite is beyond belief.

Proposing to totally demolish the market just to replace with what is essentially residential buildings is unacceptable. The market has been part of the local and broader community for such a long time, that it deserves to be protected and its core functions maintained and improved. As a minimum the existing footprint of the Market must be retained.

The proposed high rise and high density buildings do not belong in the suburbs, They are more appropriate in a CBD location.

Preston Market is the heart of the community, it needs to be protected and enhanced to serve the local community. Not only is the Market a cherished part of the local community, but it is often utilised as a whole by the wider community in neighboring LGA's.

Fast tracking this site for the sake of a quick profit to developers is not going to produce a good outcome for the local residence, traders or the future residence who will ultimately occupy substandard apartments / units / buildings.

Given the recent issues that have risen due to COVID19 infections and how badly apartment and other high density developments were infected, is building more high density building with potentially the same problems such a good idea?

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