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**Fwd: Landmark Square Hurstville - bound by Forest Road, Durham Street and Roberts Lane**

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A copy FYI.

Regards

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Ms Gail Connolly  
Interim General Manager  
Georges River Council

Attention: Rod Logan, Acting Director Planning

Dear Mr Logan,

Michael Gheorghiu (planner for Dickson Rothschild) and I would like to arrange a meeting with you and Interim General Manager as soon as possible.

We have serious concerns about the efficacy of the GMU urban form for this site and wish to flag with you and the Interim General Manager our concerns.

You may not be aware that we were denied access to the GMU report before the Planning Proposal was reported to Council. We first saw part of the GMU report when a small part of that report was submitted to the Gateway, along with the Planning Proposal for this site, and published by the Department.

The whole of this GMU report should be made public and published by the Council so all

land owners are aware of it and may respond. There are a number of urban form and economic reports that were procured over the last decade by the previous Hurstville City Council that have been selectively released, but not fully released. These include work by SGS Economic & Planning, Hassell, Anthony Rowan Planning and others. If the Council is to take a more transparent approach to strategic planning then these previous reports and studies should also be released and published.

We have serious concerns about a potential conflicts of interest with GMU having asked originally by the proponents to provide a fee proposal for this site, then having provided urban form advice to Council and now with Ms Gabrielle Morrish sitting on the IHAP.

We don't believe that the independence of the IHAP can be maintained or be seen to be maintained in this circumstance, especially when we are going to be very critical of the GMU urban design concept for the site and we say, now (having reviewed part of the GMU report) that the GMU concept lacks rigour in many aspects.

We wish to make further written submissions, after we meet with you, before this matter is reported by staff to the IHAP.

We hope that with the new administration in place that there is a new level of open and transparent dialogue between the proponents and the Council. There is a clear need for the urban renewal of this site. We wish to get a good result in urban form, social improvements, jobs, transport, traffic and land economics.

There is much also to be learnt from the failure that is the unactivated public open space and completely vacant commercial tenancies within the neighbouring East Quarter development. If you have not walked through the East Quarter site, I implore you to do so. We do not want to repeat this very poor outcome.

If you have time to read any documents before we meet, the Hill PDA (land economics and jobs report) and Mott McDonald (transport and traffic report) are worth review.


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