

Madam Chair - as some speakers have not
shown up - may I request a few extra minutes not
used by those ~~missing~~ ^{absent} speakers.

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Thank you for this opportunity,
My name is Scott Gibbons My family and I have been
Pyrmont residents for 17 years and
I've watched it change from a quiet village style atmosphere
to what is now a **slow moving polluted carpark.**

Just
New
Re Spm

Here's the thing, I have no problem with the present Star..
nor its Current hotels .

I enjoy visiting the Star ..

Yes, there are parts of the existing Star that are VERY
poorly planned and already cause drama without being
exacerbated by Further development.

For instance'..The Truck Access off Edward st .. The street
is far too narrow ... Deliveries and large semi trailer trucks
constantly block the street and resident access... But we
accept that as neighbours.

Long
Deck

However, Here's the problem..

The Star, Ritz Carlton, Developers, Architects etc .. **ALL
KNEW the height limit regulations.**

**They KNEW the code .. that this proposal IS WAY out of
Character with the District !!**

and yet **CHOSE** not to act as good neighbours !

No one and I use this term advisedly ..can be so arrogant ..

for what could be an **Ambit claim,** to **willingly & Wantonly
BREAK the code by 8 times**

and through that hope to **FORCE** ~~an approval~~ an approval or amended
approval **that still breaks the rules**

**and yet makes it worth their while ..It's called a
"Gamble" and these people make a living from
gambling.**

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Proposal
This is causing STRESS to locals ~~to~~ *who* accept the Star site for what it is ~~and if it can be expanded to~~ **DO SO TO THE EXISTING RULES !!!** *than*

What if we're taking about a 50kph zone and the Star saying ".nah , it's ok in our sector you can do 8 times that .. 400kph is fine.."

would the Premier, Hadley, Jones, The PR Machine of the Star and Ritz Carlton and some MP's Loudly come out and agree with & accept that ! ?

The Bottom line is :

For you to bet at the Star or Stay in the Hotel, there are RULES

and you'd better adhere to those rules!

YET .. Yet, THEY WANT TO BREAK OUR RULES.. The rules the Dept of Planning, Industry & Environment. ..

They want to say ..Not fair ! "

Try saying that to them if you have a bad run at their gaming tables.

They have Security Cameras & Supervisors & security staff TRAINED

to ENSURE You DON'T 'Break a Rule'.

But **Again ..They Wantonly want to break the rules ... by 8 ..**

This time thanks to Minister Stokes and the Department .. IT'S NOT LUCKY 8.

Simply, The Referee has made the decision .. ACCEPT IT !

STAR

In your language .. You backed Red .. and it spun up Black.

Do as you expect us to do .. HONOUR THE RULES

In a nutshell,

Based on Greed, The Star is NOT acting like a Good Neighbour ...

They want to infect Our beloved Pymont area with *MASSEUR* further Over Development.

combined with previous inept planning decisions ..

Pymont is already

Over-developed ! .. Over-trafficked .. and Over-it ! ..

Simply, Pymonts current traffic is Gridlocked and this will worsen an already Bad situation.

Their proposal is solely to help the Star & Americans

if they attempt to co-exist, Break the locals with 5 storeys
IT DOES NOTHING TO HELP PYRMONT !!
I wonder if the 5 storeys will still be granted

Prove your sincerity that you build the 5 storey community

This portion of Pymont is HOME .. to so many... as mentioned It's been my home for 17 years.

Over recent times the commute time has blown out.

The time to drive through the streets of Pymont .. just from The Stars Darling Hotel in Edward St to Harris St can now easily stretch to 10minutes for a mere 750 mtrs...

consider that, 10 minutes with a taxi meter ticking away to go just 750 mtrs !! ..

That's a recommendation for Tourism.

And, to go just a little further- to get past the Fish Markets is an absolute nightmare.

**Whilst The Anzac Bridge can be a parking lot...
especially when it's combined with a cruise ship being
at White Bay.**

**Meanwhile Their PR company simply IGNORES facts &
talks about "Helping Tourism "
Oh Come on.. ...**

**The fact is -word of mouth is already atrocious about the
existing POOR Traffic flow & Pedestrian flow in Pymont
and this proposal would simply exacerbate & create even
worse Traffic & Pedestrian congestion.**

**All we ask as residents, as Neighbours - is The Star &
Ritz Carlton to
Simply ..Play by the Rules .. & accept the current
referees decision !!!**

Heres the Rub..

**Non resident Developers & Architects & PR companies are
asking existing residents who CHOSE to live in this
community**

**'To adjust their lifestyle, put up with ever worsening
traffic and to LOSE the Skyline' AND to accept this
eyesore and the vast over shadowing it will create .**

The planning code already exists..

The Minister didn't say "NO" to the proposal ..

**All he said was "ABIDE BY THE RULES" if you want to
build in Pymont ... OR**

**Build it somewhere else in Sydney WHERE THE SIZE
MEETS THE CODE .**

Frankly, Minister Stokes couldn't be fairer. !

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“Build your Ritz Carlton .. but NOT in Pymont.”

If this development were allowed or anything in excess of the existing height limit ..

Then the seal on the Pymont skyline will be broken...

The Quality of Life that locals enjoy won't be the same

In essence, Any approval about the current height limit won't just be a blight on Pymont, but will include Sydney, The State of NSW and Australia.

We'll simply be sending an open invitation to any Big Developer to Bully our Gov't into Submission ..

I for one didn't vote for - nor do I abide by weak Politicians who fold to PR companies and Shock Jocks.

Pymont is an area ..where people come HOME.

It's said Pymont needs more 5 star hotels for visitors ..

These are the same visitors who will be stuck in traffic and then bad mouth Sydney overseas ... *The tourist buses etc*

Those members of the Gov't who are saying “we need this hotel for tourism are the very same people who wanted to demolish the Powerhouse museum from Pymont (a Tourist Attraction !)

The same Lady who is now premier is the one who took away the Mono Rail from Pymont.

A tourist attraction and didn't provide an affordable time effective alternative .

The Cruise Terminal at Barangaroo which allowed Tourists to arrive and be in the Heart of Sydney was shut and moved to White Bay to allow for another Casino ... Seriously ???.. and that decision has now been recognised as being **WRONG !**

This panel HAS to STAND UP FOR the people of **Pymont** and of **Sydney** and say an **EMPHATIC "NO" !!!! ..**
To "Go away & ABIDE BY THE RULES."

(IF time allows)

By the way,
✱ The Light rail has already maxed out on its capacity ..where people boarding at **Central** often don't get a seat. ✱

Taxis and Uber type ride share vehicles will just further exacerbate the existing traffic jams.

Here's the thing ..it's not a case of **NIMBI (Not in my back yard)** Just **PLAY BY THE RULES** as we have to do.

Furthermore .. it's easy for 'shock jocks' to sit in a studio where you arrive at 3 or 4 am and say "What Traffic?"

Simply put ..Pymont dosen't need another 35 Floors of residential Plus 22 storeys of Hotel jammed onto an already crowded site... Play by the rules and **ACCEPT** the referees decision.

500 on going jobs - 220 employees