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Dear Madam/Sir,

As a new resident of Giralang, I was appalled to discover the lack of a local shopping/community precinct, much like majority of suburbs across the ACT.

After some research, I have noted there was a previous site, that was much loved by the community and it was subsequently closed for 'redevelopment' in 2004. It's truly a pity that ACT government has not made a vocal effort to help our community renew our local precinct.

Now, in 2021, the site remains to be a derelict, neglected eyesore plaguing the entrance to our wonderful primary school and sporting fields. I understand the arbitrary limit on the limit supermarket size has been a major factor in the stunted re-development of the area.

I could only ask that the site is transformed into something we can all enjoy. Whether it's pitching again for an anchor tenant under the revision of the commercial lease sizing, or a multi-use community space.

History cannot keep repeating itself. We need to see action, not just a bunch of politicians squandering over what to do for years to come.

This matter needs urgent consideration. Giralang residents have truly lost faith in our government to deliver the infrastructure we need and so rightfully deserve. Especially given the substantial rates we pay for the 'prosperity' of our local area.

With thanks.

Amber Noble

