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Inquiry into Giralang

Shops

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Good afternoon,

I would like to thank the Legislative Assembly for conducting this enquiry into the state of the Giralang Shops site.

I have been disappointed in the inability of consecutive governments to provide the residents of this suburb with an appropriate shopping and community precinct. At present, the site in its current condition is a neglected eyesore.

The needs and the desires of the community appear to have been ignored by the government with the result being a longstanding derelict and unsafe site adjacent to our local school and petrol station.

Further, being the owners of only one car, my family has been disadvantaged by our inability to duck down to the shops when we need an essential item for our two children under three years' old.

The residents and ratepayers of Giralang, the long-term users of this site, have been ignored by governments for too long.

I would urge the government to immediately consider the terms of the lease of this site to enable the construction of premises that will allow for:

- an anchor tenant e.g. supermarket of a commercially viable size (minimum 1500 sq m in size)
- several other smaller commercial tenants e.g. cafe
- some residential development
- and some designated community space

Thank you for giving this matter your urgent consideration.

Courtney Hayden