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## **Inquiry into Petition 002-25: Hawker Village shops redevelopment**

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Hi Committee

The main thing I am concerned about is the design intent. The last thing I want is there to be a large supermarket with underground parking and no local bakeries, butchers and cafes. The best thing about the current design is that you can park out the front quickly run in, grab a pie from the bakery, a coffee from the cafe and a news paper from the news agency. From what I'm hearing a large supermarket chain has bought all the land and has come up with an ugly commercial monstrosity that maximises their profits at the expense of the village feel the area was originally intended to be. There used to be an IGA there and that was great, it was bought out and replaced with a cookie cutter supermarket that doesn't sell all the boutique items the IGA used to stock. I'm afraid it's going to get even worse if the new plans go ahead. Hope you force them to build something that aligns with the original design, there's countless examples of big business ruining the community design Canberra was originally designed around, hope Hawker isn't the latest victim of this trend.

Kind regards

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