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DV237 – DEAKIN SECTION 12 BLOCKS 9,13 and 19
(Embassy Motel)

I am writing to object strongly to this proposed development. A seven storey building will stick out like a sore thumb and be incongruously out of keeping with its environs, both southwards into Deakin and along Adelaide Avenue. Unit occupants with more than one vehicle are likely to use the existing parking areas for parking, so exacerbating the existing parking problems.

I have no objection in principle to buildings not exceeding four storeys, nor to an appropriate change in use of the site.

The need for a 'gateway' building into a suburb has not been spelt out. If planners have their minds fixed on such a feature, a lower appropriately designed building or buildings together with a similar building on the gallery site could provide sufficient contrast to the nearby buildings as they are now.

If planners envisage future redevelopment around the shopping centre resulting in, say, four storey buildings, they could retain their desired 'gateway' by specifying that this proposed redevelopment of the motel site be designed to enable additional storeys to be added to the buildings in the future. A higher building then would be more in harmony with its surroundings.

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