



**Legislative Assembly** for the  
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# Submission Cover Sheet

## Inquiry into DPA-B – Forrest Section 19 Blocks 5, 6, 9, 11 and 12

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Proposed rezoning of Blocks 5, 6, 9, 11 and 12, Section 19 Forrest:	
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Do you support the proposed amendment to rezone these blocks to Commercial CZ5 Mixed Use Zone (including commercial accommodation)?:	No. Being in such close proximity (just across the road ) to a primary school will bring increased traffic to the street and hence increase the risk of accidents involving children.
Do you have any thoughts on how the site could be used in the future?:	Low level (2 levels), quality built, private residence boutique townhouses which would align with existing Forrest dwellings. An ideal location for downsizers, executive couples, smaller families, single individuals.
How do you think that the inclusion of commercial zoning will affect the local area?:	There is be a need for a coffee shop/cafe, hairdressers, and service such as physio.
How will the proposal to allow seven to eight storey buildings affect the local area?:	It will be an eye saw, look out of place, and not align with the current residential dwellings. High rise residences will only greatly increase traffic to the area and increase the risk of road accidents that could potentially involve children given the close proximity to Forrest Primary School.

<p>Have traffic and car parking been given adequate consideration? If not, how will the rezoning affect local residents?:</p>	<p>Absolutely not. Already many public servants park all day in '2 hour zones' and the school car park. This will only increase that problem, and prevent teachers at the school getting a car park in the school car park.</p>
<p>Do you think that the proposed rezoning will affect the environmental and heritage values in the area? If not, why?:</p>	<p>Yes. Currently kangaroos come down around Hobart Ave, with construction this will cease. There is much bird life around the proposed area also, and despite being no need for tree clearing of the sight, birds will be scared of the noise being made by construction.</p>
<p>If approved, are there any conditions you would like to see incorporated into the decision, for example community or public housing, affordable housing, green space, setbacks or other design principles?:</p>	<p>Public parkland with picnic facilities, large green spaces, a tranquil space for students to visit and neighbouring workers and residences to visit.</p>
<p>Do you support that this proposed amendment will set a precedent for other blocks away from Group Centres across Canberra?:</p>	<p>No, I don't support this proposal, and it will set a precedent in an otherwise heritage area and detract from the current appeal of Forrest.</p>
<p>Do you have any other comments about the draft major plan amendment you would like to share?:</p>	<p>Low level (2 level) boutique townhouses, with a large public green spaces.</p>
<p>Would you like to speak to the Committee at a public hearing?:</p>	<p>No</p>
<p>I understand that I cannot share my submission until the Committee publishes it.:</p>	<p>Yes</p>