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Inquiry into the Role and Future of the Woden Town Centre in the context of a compact city

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Social Connectivity - What would make Woden Town Centre a more welcoming place to meet and socialise with friends and family? :	Continue to have a outdoor 50 m pool. Build a basket ball stadium. Build the new ice rink in Woden instead of Tuggeranong. POutdoor eating places linked to a entertainment venue see below. Better pedestrian access
Social Connectivity - What types of events or activities would you like to see more of in Woden? :	Craft markets. Food fairs. Currently woden is dominated by tall buildings, westfield, and construction
Housing - Do you think there is enough social and public housing in Woden to meet community needs? Why or why not?:	There has been a huge increase in the population of Woden in recent years but no increase in Services or businesses, in fact there appears to be a reduction in these an example is the proposal to close the outdoor swimming pool and replace it with a very unsatisfactory small indoor pool.
Housing - What improvements or changes would you suggest for housing in the Woden Town Centre?:	Any future apartments should be only 3 - 4 stories high. No more big ugly view blocking towers. They Woden make Woden very uninviting. I am no longer drawn to visit Woden due to lack of vibrancy
Employment and Economic Activity - What types of businesses or services would you	Continue with the 50m outdoor pool Bring NRMA office back. Stop high rise building development. Encourage new

like to see more of in the Woden Town Centre?:	shops to open in the woden shopping centre. Outdoor eating away from being overshadowed by large apartments.
Employment and Economic Activity - How could the dining and entertainment options in Woden be improved?:	Have a plan for the area. Build a stage theatre and cultural arts centre and link to dinning and cafe options.
Health, Education and Community Services - Are health, education, and community services in Woden accessible and sufficient for your needs?:	Any Health services in Woden are very difficult to access because of all the development, limited parking and road closures. Any one with limited mobility is now not able to access health service here and even the library is difficult access.
Health, Education and Community Services - What additional services would you find valuable in the area?:	More service for older people. Sporting service for young adults. Library should be open 7 days a week. It is a valuable community centre
Public Spaces - How could Woden's public spaces be improved to ensure they are inviting and safe for everyone?:	Stop building more high rise apartments and keep more green outdoor recreation spaces. Easy pedestrian and vehicle access.
Community Facilities - What recreational or cultural facilities do you think are missing in the Woden Town Centre? :	Permanent future for an out door 50 m swimming pool. A cultural centre such as an Art gallery and cafe similar to Belconnen
Transport and Accessibility - What would you do to improve access to and around the Woden Town Centre? :	Easier access from bus stop to woden shops and to Health services. Easier pedestrian access to and around Woden. Plus organised traffic flow.
Other Comments - Do you have any other ideas or comments about the future of Woden Town Centre?:	We need a plan, we need to have an outdoor pool 50 m. Woden is currently a chaotic concrete jungle with huge towering apartments, lots of unlinked construction sites and It is not a nice place to visit any more. Give the centre a lift by having no more high rise , more green outdoor places and entertainment facilities
Would you be interested in speaking to the Committee about your experience at a public hearing?:	No