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Subject: Pemulwuy Project - student accommodation - meeting 15th November 10 am

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As I am unable to attend the public meeting re the Pemulwuy Project on 15th November at 10 am I am submitting the following comments concerning the proposed building Pemulwuy Concept Approval (MP 06_0101 MOD 2, State Significant Development (SSD) application 8135, Pemulwuy Project Approval (MP 11_0089 MOD 1)

In the assessment it is stated that a 24 storey building would not be out of place in Redfern given the number of buildings around 16-18 storeys high now constructed or in process of construction in the general area of Redfern.

- 1) But a 24 storey building on/beside The Block would be out of place and out of proportion to the buildings on/near The Block visually and culturally.
- 2) The number of non-Aboriginal students accommodated in such a building would be too far out of proportion to possible Aboriginal students.
- 3) The impact of such a building in terms of sun, shade, wind, general micro-climate could be considerable. Has that been fully assessed?
- 4) There is already much student accommodation in the area
- 5) and even in terms of footpaths there is overcrowding.
- 6) Who benefits from this development? Probably not the local Aboriginal community. This building could in fact overshadow/minimise the cultural significance of the area of The Block which needs to have its own significance.
- 7) There is the potential for loss of privacy for the Aboriginal community in particular.
- 8) while Aboriginal people I am sure are welcome to the meeting some would find such a meeting in such a venue threatening or overwhelming and I wonder to what extent Aboriginal groups have been consulted in their own 'spaces'.

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