

To: DIT PLANNING REFORM SUBMISSIONS

I wish my opinions on the Revised Planning and Design Code to be considered in this submission.

- I oppose the proposal to cut minimum private outdoor open space of dwellings to only 24sqm - it should be more.
- I strongly oppose any proposal to lessen public consultation or taking away third party appeal rights that currently exist
- I oppose the proposal to increase the allowable retail floor space in the proposed General Neighbourhood Zone.
- I oppose the current provisions in the Urban Renewal Neighbourhood Zone and wish to see lower building heights, with stronger controls on design and planning outcomes.

I also wish to add that the current pandemic should be sending warning signs to governments, communities and societies in general to be mindful of the risks associated with congested living. Poor planning in our cities will only exacerbate any crisis we are face with. Furthermore, poor planning diminishes us to mere financial consumers of space. The environment, societies, communities, families are constantly being neglected and overtaken by the financial interests of a few. Which brings me to the important point of open and honest consultation, I strongly disagree with any reductions to this.

I give my details below with the understanding that they will NOT be made public.  
Thank you.

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