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Dear Director,

RE: Proposed Amendments to the Standard Instrument LEP

I have read & considered the proposed Amendments to the Standard Instrument LEP.

The proposed new definition of "Artisan Premises" is an excellent step forward. However most of the people who produce boutique, craft or artisan food and drink products sell their produce through market stalls before they get to the scale of business of having a full processing or manufacturing facility.

Firstly the definition of "market" in the Standard Instrument LEP needs to have the word "existing" were appearing in the definition deleted so the "market" can be a purpose built structure providing better facilities and amenities then an existing building adapted to a "market" use.


An example of a purpose built market complex is Emundi Square in Emundi which is a purpose built structure for 90 market stalls.

Secondly the definition of "market" needs to provide that the facility is able to trade 3-4 days per week. If the definition of "market" was amended as set out above then the market could provide proper food & drink management facilities and avoid the necessity of traders being required to step up every day as most markets require.

In effect if the "market" definition was amended as set out above then the result would be that the market would become a retail business incubator. Currently the Standard Instrument LEP does not support this type of development which is fundamental to the retail economy that now exists.

In world terms boutique, craft or artisan food and drink products have always been associated with what are overseas as hawker markets. Unfortunately NSW planning legislation currently inhibits this style of retail development and the economy suffers from this lack if a provision for this type of development.

Yours faithfully,



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