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Caversham

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Comment: I am concerned that the focus on the commercial part of this development is becoming overlooked.

There are already too many A2 offices within Prospect Street and there appears to be, by stealth, a gradual changing of the commercial use. Originally this was an A3 restaurant and, in turn, there were revised plans drawn up for a cafe neighbouring No.1 Prospect Street and an adjoining A2 office to No.5 Prospect Street - which in this application has been watered down to a single open plan office. The impact to this being solely another office will be damaging to the visual and aesthetic appeal to this road. This area needs retail shops or A3 usage in order to stop the diminishing appeal of central Caversham.

Therefore, any additional space that is removed from the commercial area to create further residential use needs to be thoroughly considered in relation to the overall impact of the whole use of this building. On this basis, I request that the application is rejected