

OUR UNIVERSITY IS FOR SALE



The UTAS plan to dispose
of its Sandy Bay Campus

**SAVE
UTAS
CAMPUS**

HOW UTAS BECAME A REAL ESTATE MASTER DEVELOPER

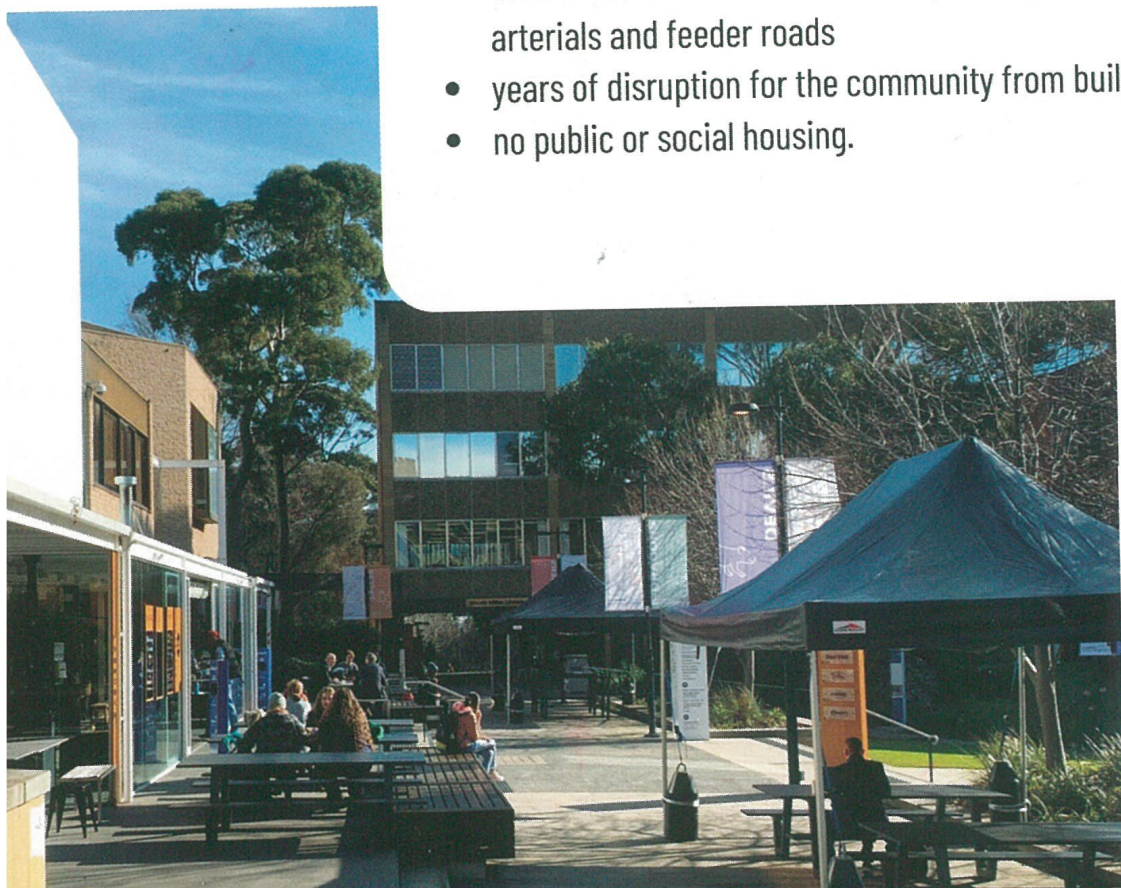
UTAS' Sandy Bay campus has been described by the current Vice Chancellor, Professor Rufus Black, as 'remarkable'. This stunning setting, stretching from native bushland to the Derwent River, is the envy of many other universities across the country. The Sandy Bay campus is a major drawcard for future and prospective students. It is seen as a safe, peaceful environment in which to learn, study and engage with their peers.

The Sandy Bay campus was gifted to the university by the Tasmanian Government in 1951 on the condition, included in legislation, that it be returned to the people of Tasmania if it was not used for higher education. In 1992, apparently inadvertently, Parliament removed this condition.

In April 2019, the University's governing body, the University Council, announced their decision to relocate the University to the Hobart CBD. In September 2021, UTAS released its 'Reimagine Sandy Bay Masterplan' which proposed abandoning the Sandy Bay campus completely and converting it to a 2700 dwelling micro-suburb with approximately 90 new large buildings. UTAS even describes itself as 'Master Developer'.

Key features of this plan, never exposed to independent assessment or community consultation, are:

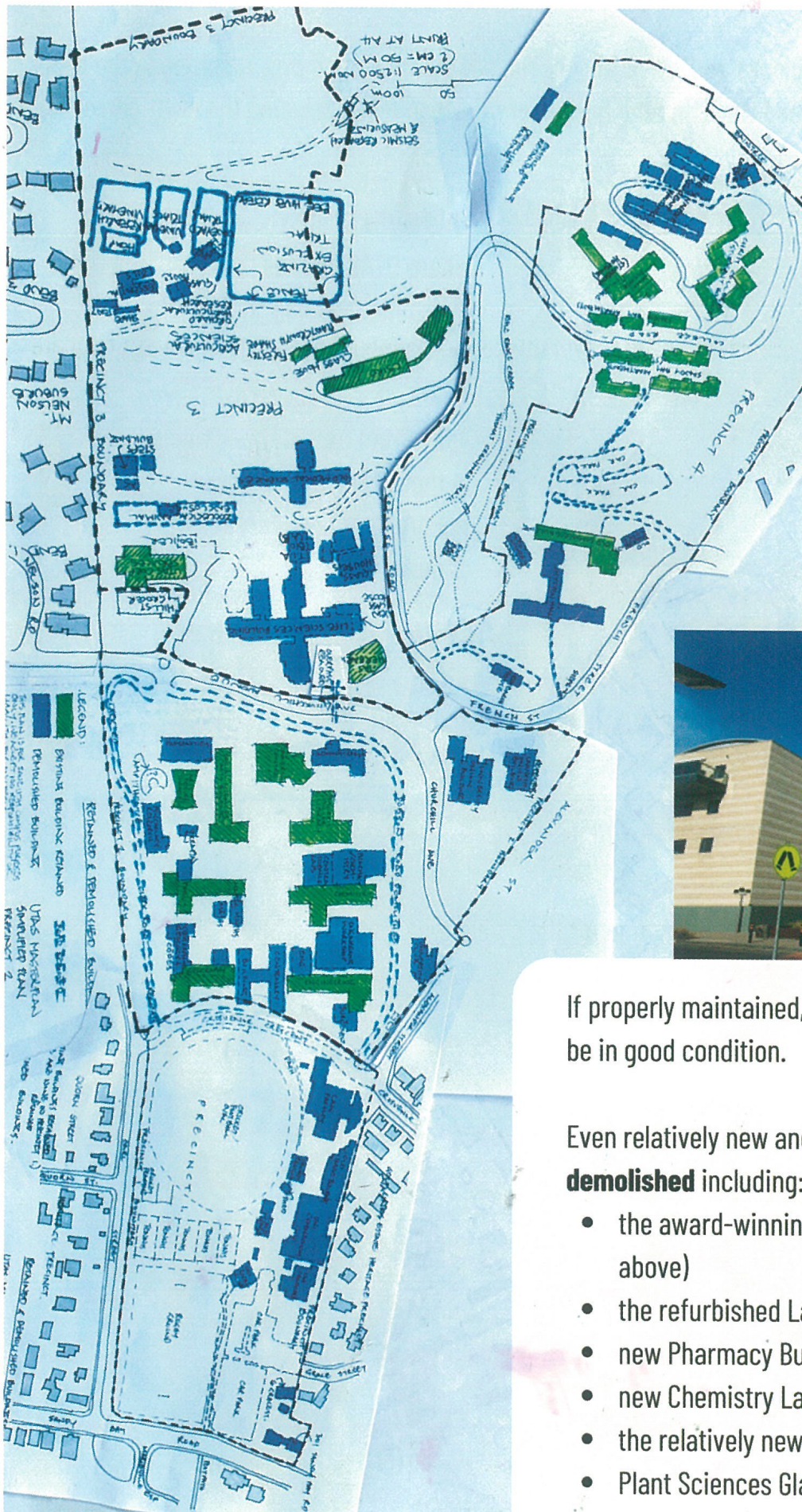
- demolition of good university buildings – even new and refurbished buildings will be demolished
- substantial bushland, gardens, trees, and parkland will be removed
- approximately 90 new large buildings up to 8 storeys high
 - a deficit of more than 3000 car parks which will force parking into surrounding streets
 - thousands of extra cars, travelling through neighbouring streets and all arterials and feeder roads
 - years of disruption for the community from building works
 - no public or social housing.



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DEMOLISHING GOOD BUILDINGS



UTAS plans to demolish CAMPUS buildings

In this image:

Buildings in **blue** will be demolished.

Buildings in **green** will be retained.



If properly maintained, most other buildings would be in good condition.

Even relatively new and refurbished buildings will be **demolished** including:

- the award-winning Centenary Building (shown above)
- the refurbished Law School
- new Pharmacy Building
- new Chemistry Labs
- the relatively new Old IMAS building
- Plant Sciences Glass Houses.

REMOVING NATURAL BUSHLAND, PARKLAND, TREES AND GARDENS

UTAS will build large apartment blocks and a new access road in the upper campus, resulting in the loss of significant bushland, established trees and the habitat of native animals including the swift parrot.



This aerial photo shows the area where UTAS intends to build 930 apartments, mostly in 18 large apartment blocks of 5-7 storeys high.

Apart from four, all buildings shown in the aerial photo within the precinct boundary will be demolished.

A VAST HOUSING ESTATE OF 2700 DWELLINGS



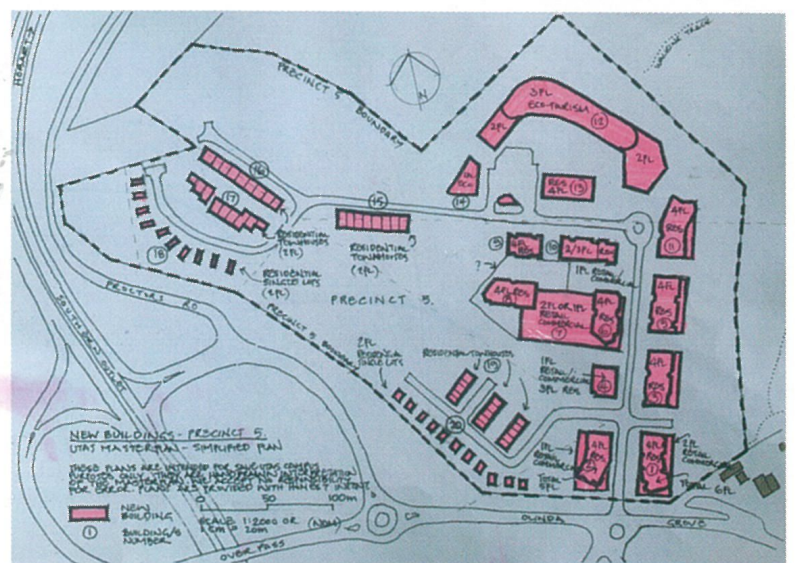
UTAS plans to build about 90 new large buildings and to retain about a dozen existing buildings, not including existing student accommodation.

About 60 of the buildings will be residential apartment blocks mostly between 5 to 7 storeys high. Each block will contain an average of around 40 apartments.

In this drawing new buildings are shown in **pink**, retained buildings in **green**.

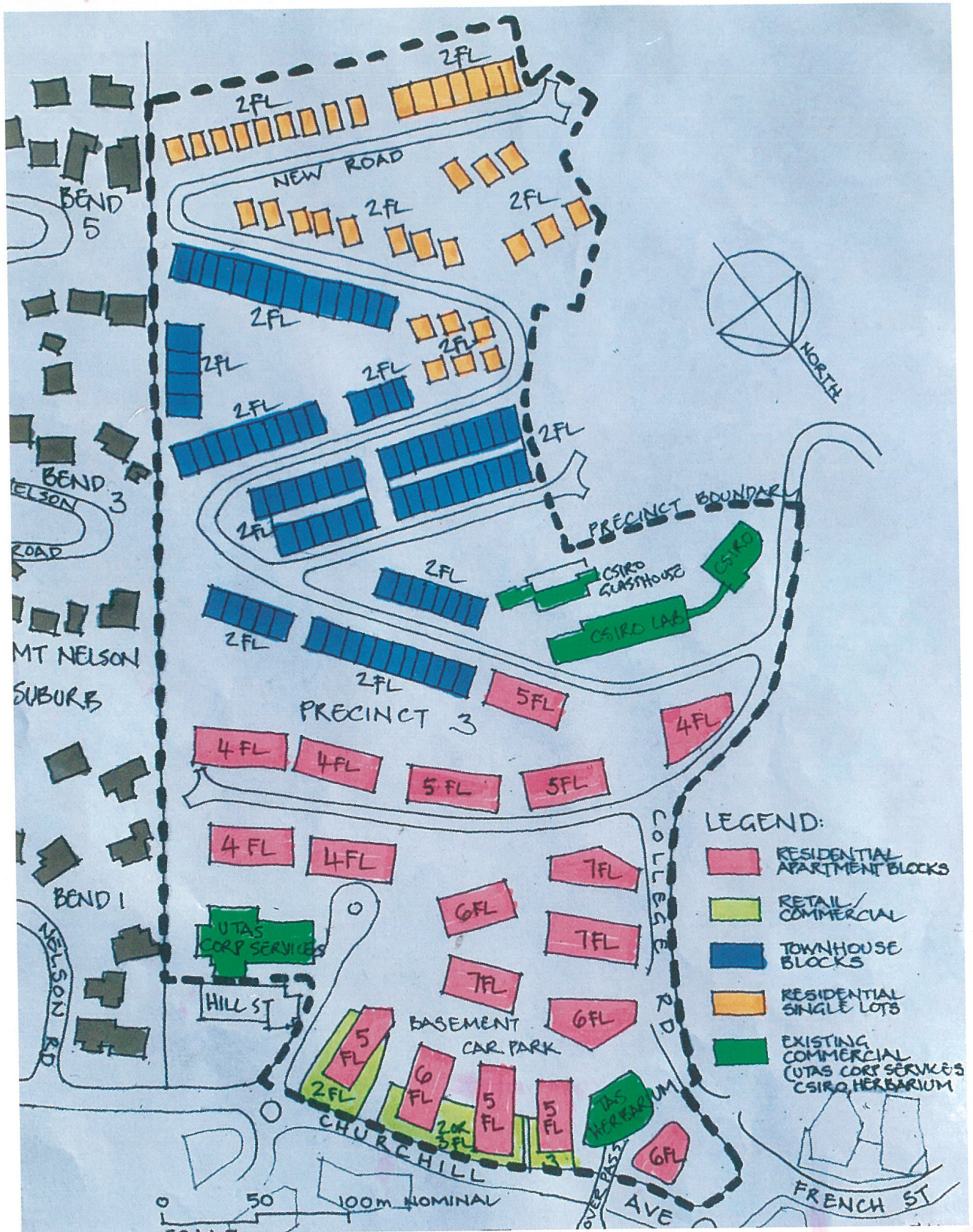
There will be no public or social housing.

Precinct 5 - off Olinda Grove



A SECOND MOUNT NELSON

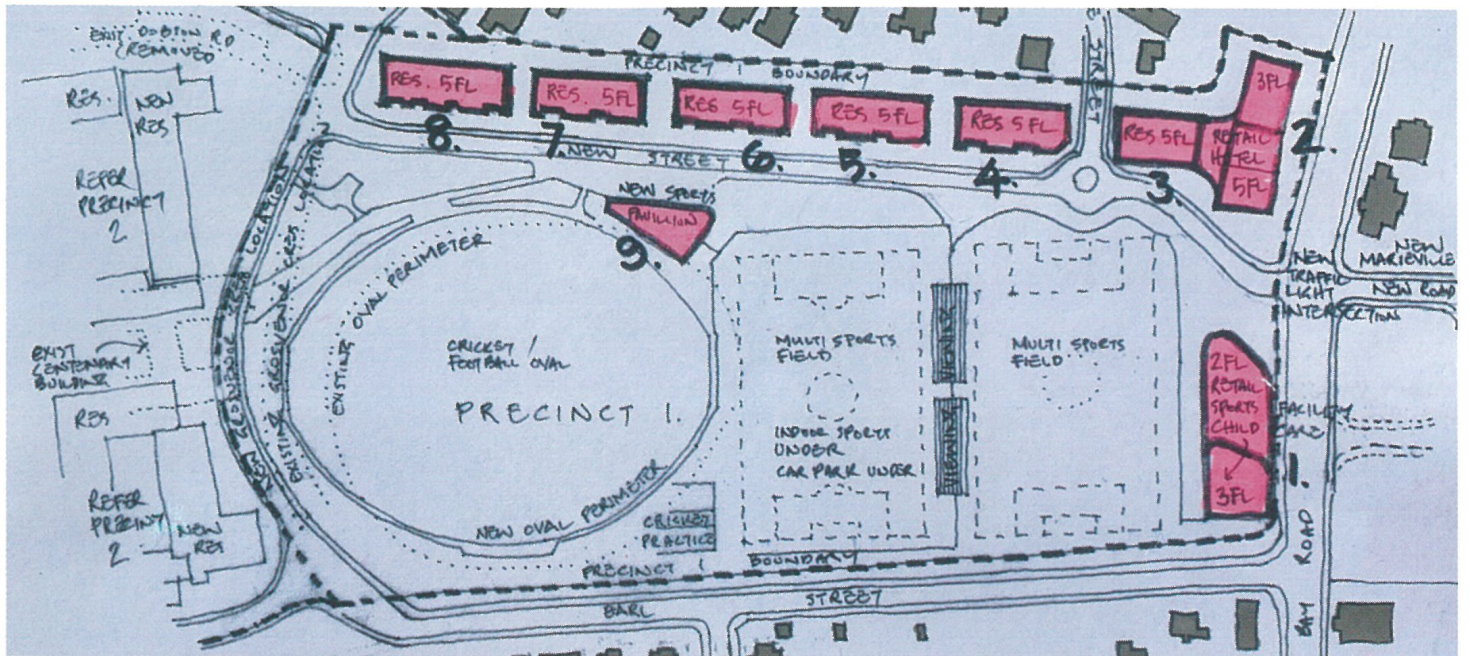
Parallel to the Nelson Road bends will be a new winding road, mirroring the Nelson Road bends, where 18 large apartment blocks, each between 4-7 storeys high, will be built. The occupants of these 930 apartments will mostly enter via College Road, putting huge pressure on Churchill Avenue and French Street.



SPORTS GROUND HOUSING ESTATE

UTAS' Sandy Bay Road sports grounds will be overshadowed by a row of 6 five-storey apartment blocks on the northern side and two large commercial buildings, each 3 and 5 storeys high, on Sandy Bay Road.

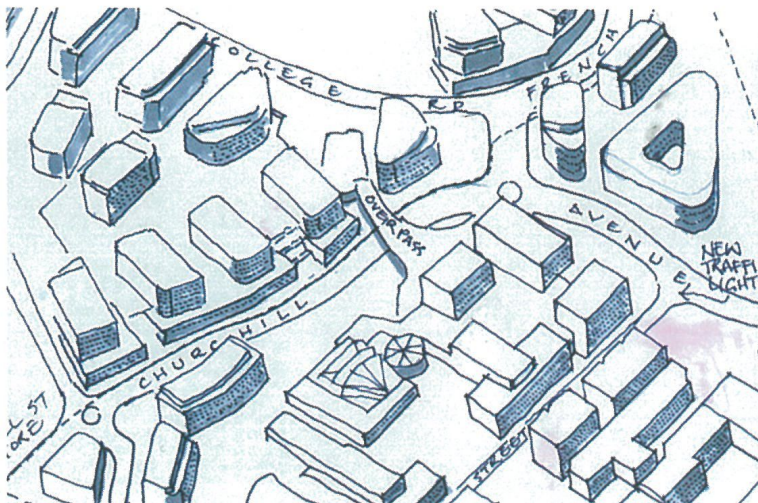
The existing view over the sports grounds from Sandy Bay Road across the sports fields will be blocked by buildings of 3 and 5 storeys high. The rugby and soccer clubs will share two playing fields, one will be grass, the other Astroturf. Tennis courts and established trees will be removed. Marieville Esplanade will be shifted further north to meet a new intersection (with traffic lights) on Sandy Bay Road which will also receive traffic from the UTAS housing estate.



LOSS OF STREETScape

Churchill Avenue becomes a canyon

Picturesque and tree-lined Churchill Avenue will become a canyon, lined with large buildings up to 8 storeys high. The drawing below shows the proposed buildings, and the photo to the right shows the canyon effect of buildings of a similar height.



TRAFFIC AND PARKING DISASTER

3000 car parks short

UTAS has been told by the HCC that the UTAS Masterplan is short by 3000 parking spaces, pushing resident parking into surrounding neighbourhoods.

No traffic plan for thousands of new cars

The residents of 2700 new apartments will bring thousands of additional cars. There being little employment in Sandy Bay, these residents will clog Sandy Bay Rd, Regent St and Proctors Rd each morning as they head off to work. Utas has no plan other than additional intersections and traffic lights. Currently students park on surrounding streets during the day not on weekends and evenings.



WHAT CAN YOU DO?

- **Attend** the Vote No Rally, Sunday 2 October, 11am at Parliament Lawns
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