

# Cafe gazebo removed after complaints

A GAZEBO built in public space by a Manuka eatery was ordered to be removed within hours of being installed after residents complained to Territory and Municipal Services.

The owners of Urban Pantry were ordered to remove the structure on Tuesday afternoon after it was up for only six hours.

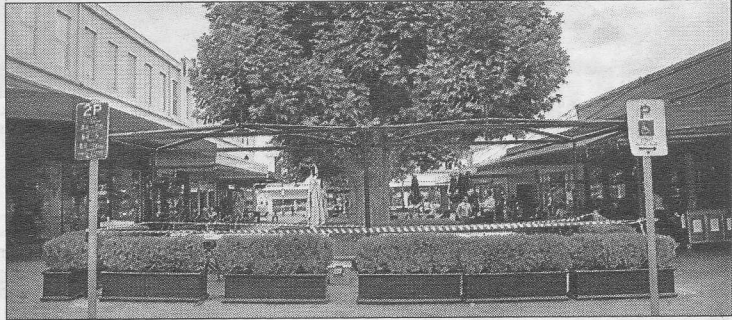
Urban Pantry co-owner Luke Jennings said the gazebo, which was installed over an area used by the restaurant for outdoor dining, had been completely removed.

"There is no gazebo. Everything's been taken down," he said.

A Territory and Municipal Services spokeswoman said the cafe had begun building a permanent undercover structure, including a roof intended to have lighting, heaters and drop down sides.

A resident had reported this last week as an area nominated to the ACT Heritage Register.

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The gazebo in Manuka before it was removed.

Picture: Elesa Lee

Services rangers investigated the matter to discover that no development approval had been granted for the work, however, by the time they attended the site, the pavement had been completely reinstated suggesting the work was no longer taking place. Since the cafe owners were overseas at the time, TAMS rangers decided to postpone any further action until

they returned," she said.

But the resident called TAMS again on Tuesday saying work crews had returned to the site.

"Following this alert, TAMS rangers attended the cafe and issued the owner with a notice to stop work. The notice requests that all structures be removed within seven days," she said.

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