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Subject: FW: LKeenSubmission | Objection to DA2020/1233
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Please find attached my objection to DA2020/1233.

Please feel free to contact me at any time to discuss this issue.

Please also be aware that I am happy to make myself available to show you from our home, the privacy issues my wife and I will be faced with if this Development Application is approved.

Kind Regards,

Lloyd Keen
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Mr Ray Brownley
Chief Executive Officer.
Northern Beaches Council.

1 November 2020

Attention Lashta. Haidari

Re: **DA2020/1233**

My wife and I have been living at Mounties Watermark Freshwater Retirement Village for 2 years 5 months, during which time it has continuously been a building site. Worse still the current DA request calls for a further period of a minimum of 3 months whilst building a competition bowling green, which has never been approved by Council or shown on the plans before.

If the bowling green is approved and built it will reduce privacy as well as security whilst introducing unacceptable levels of noise to the more than 50% of the 96 residences that face the quadrangle in the centre of the finished development.

I contacted Bowling NSW who advised me that they identified there are only six bowling greens anywhere near the vicinity of retirement residences. Mounties development will be the only one that has retirement units surrounding it on three sides. Some of the units are as close as 8 metres from the playing area itself, none are more than 10 metres away. It is the opinion of Bowling NSW that putting a bowling green in such a confined amphitheatre location with seniors homes as close as 8 metres from the perimeter will cause unacceptable noise reverberating around the whole of the area. The outcome will be one of loss of privacy, security and noise control. The outcome of the location of the bowling green will be severe loss of privacy, serious increase of security and safety and noise inundation to seniors homes. All of which are totally unacceptable.

Note: Over 50 % of the 96 units will be badly affected by this development. This development houses over 150 seniors ranging in age from our 60's to our 90's, with many living on their own.

From our personal point of view living in Unit 29 the following is true.

- Our living space entirely looks out over the area that will be the bowling green.
- We will be no more than 8 metres away from the return end of the bowling green producing a lot of noise and ensuring a total loss of privacy.
- Already we have problems with noise. With the anticipated increase we will have to keep all our sliding doors and windows closed.
- To maintain privacy from people looking in all our blinds will have to be drawn from 8:30 am until 5:30 pm seven days per week.
- Through having the blinds down, doors closed we will be living in a cave, forced to use more electricity to light our home unnaturally during daylight hours and to use air-conditioning to moderate our environment.
- We believe all the above will have a detrimental effect on our mental and physical health.

One further point worth noting is that Mounties Group is in fact seriously conflicted with this application. Mounties Group operates the Harbord Diggers Club and associated sub clubs, and is also the Operator of Watermark Freshwater. We believe this fact is impacting their judgement as to what is and is not acceptable for a Seniors Retirement Village.

Based on the above, I ask that you refuse this development application from Mounties Group.

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(Please see photos below of proximity of the bowling green to our home)

1. Photo taken from proposed bowling green into Unit 29, Taylor Building Level 1. View is all the way into the back of the kitchen. This shows the massive negative impact on privacy for the residents. (Note also the reflection of the umbrella already in the grassed area of the landscaped garden. This shows the close proximity of the bowling green)



2. **View of proposed bowling green perimeter where players and officials will stand from internal wintergarden of Unit 29, Taylor Building, level 1.** The current photo does not show the larger area proposed for the bowling green which will remove a large portion of the gardens, if constructed.

