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Dear Sir/Madam

Please find the attached letter of response to your letter dated 12/2/25 and the determination dated 7/2/25.

Yours faithfully

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Attention: Development Assessment Team

RE:

Application No. DA2024/1648

Address: Lot 6 DP 240752 7 Elm Avenue, Belrose

Description: Use of part of a dwelling house as a secondary dwelling – Application determined on 7/2/25

Submission Close: 28 days from date determined

Section 4.15 Matters for Consideration

We refer to your letter of 12 February 2025

• Noise

Further to our previous submission regarding constant noise emitting from the garage conversion, I note that a deemed suitable condition of consent has been recommended for one of the previously non-compliant windows (W1 on the plan) to be fixed and not able to be opened.

Although this is a welcome solution, it only addresses a minor part of preventing the noise from spilling out of the dwelling, as the rear door, which is usually open during the day and night, is where the main noise is coming from almost 24 hours per day: The television presumably being situated at the rear of the dwelling.

This major issue was raised in our previous submission, however this point appears to have been overlooked and only the minor issue of the open windows being addressed.

Additionally, in our previous submission we suggested there be some type of sound barrier to be erected at the rear (there is one at the front of the dwelling) which will help to dampen and divert the noise away from our property. We firmly believe this should be reconsidered as a condition of consent to have some type of structure erected that adequately addresses the noise issue, which continues regardless of having one of the windows now closed.

Below is an extract from our previous submission, dated 24/12/24, for reference purposes.

Kindly acknowledge receipt of the submission.

Yours faithfully,

BL and BJ Trevarton

Extract from our previous submission:

We are adjoining property owners. We have the following specific issues/concerns in relation to the proposed Development Application. They are:

- 1. The proximity of the converted garage next to our pool area. The adjoining private open space, indicated in one of the DA's site plan drawings, is where our swimming pool and entertaining/relaxation area is situated. Our pool is close to the boundary fence and the rear of the neighbour's garage is just the other side of it. Due to the constant television noise, spilling out from the open rear door and side windows we can no longer enjoy relaxing in that area of the garden. There is need for sound proofing and light insulation barriers to be fitted.
- 2. Windows cut into the wall, which overlook our pool area. These are open most of the time, along with front and rear doors also being open during warmer months, (which is the time when we most want to enjoy being outside but cannot, due to the television noise).

Inadequate garage construction/conversion. Conversion of the existing structure creates privacy issues. Television noise pollution and peace disturbance from early morning right throughout the day and all through the night is affecting the mental health of both my wife and I as we can no longer have quiet enjoyment of our home inside or in the outside area. It is not suitable as a dwelling place.