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**RE: DA2024/1171 - 2742 / 9999 Condamine Street MANLY VALE NSW 2093**

Dear Council,

I wish to formally request the development application for new squash courts at Manly Vale be hastened through the process. I have recently decided to return to fitness after breaking my knee, and was devastated to find a desperate lack of squash courts in the northern beaches. The poorly maintained courts at Manly Vale were at least available to the public, and in constant use, these provided a venue for both physical fitness and mental health after work. Once again, I'm astonished to see the closure and loss of these courts way before replacement courts have been completed, a sad testament to the planning process.

The courts have been providing a place for newcomers and also for experienced players, and the availability of a world-class coach to our players has been a boost to all levels.

I would like to request the council seriously consider providing not three but five or more new courts, which will allow a much more robust sporting community and provide a venue that will encourage the foundation of a range of inclusive measures for all ages. This is particularly important for the community, providing an outlet for safe, strenuous exercise and the resultant physical and mental benefits. I applaud the council's past strategies in seeking more grounds for outdoor games such as soccer, and suggest that this is a way to boost sporting and fitness in a much smaller and all weather format.

Thank you for considering this submission, and I hope to hear a positive resolution to this growing need.

Regards

Ros Barnes