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Following is why we think Pickleball courts should not be allowed within the proposed 60m of our residence.

Noise Pollution

Disturbance - The sound of paddles striking the ball in Pickleball can be loud and disruptive, especially in rapid-fire exchanges. This noise can be a significant disturbance to nearby residents, particularly during early morning or late evening hours.

Quality of Life

Tranquility Disruption - Residents often seek a peaceful and quiet environment in their homes. The constant "pop" of Pickleball can shatter this tranquility, leading to frustration and a decrease in the quality of life. It will also disrupt children's studies during the late afternoon and early evening.

Health Concerns

Sleep and Wellbeing - The noise from nearby Pickleball courts can interfere with sleep patterns and cause stress, potentially leading to health issues such as increased blood pressure and headaches.

Property Value

Potential Decrease - Continuous noise and activity from a nearby Pickleball court could potentially decrease property values, as prospective buyers might be deterred by the prospect of living near a noisy sports facility.

Pickleball Noise Levels

The typical sound levels of a Pickleball game are 75 to 85 decibels when you are standing 100 feet (30m) away from the court. This level is roughly equivalent to the sound of heavy traffic or a crowded restaurant. This sound level decreases to about 65 decibels if you are 200 feet (60m) away from the court which is the distance our residence is located from the courts. This does not include extra noise from spectators cheering and whistles from umpires. These measurements indicate that the noise generated by Pickleball can indeed be significant, especially for residences located within close proximity to the courts. Therefore, it is crucial to consider these factors when planning the placement of Pickleball courts in relation to residential areas.

These points highlight the potential negative impact of having Pickleball courts too close to

residential areas. It's important for council to consider these factors when deciding on the development applications of these recreational facilities.

Accordingly we OPPOSE the submission to have the outdoor Pickleball courts on the top level of the Pittwater RSL club carpark as proposed.