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Please find attached our letter of objection to DA2025/0151

As purchasers of an apartment in the 5 Skyline Place development, which is where this facility is proposed, we were disappointed not to have received notice of this DA directly from Council and an invitation to submit our comments.

It would not have been difficult for council to have found our current residential address and send one.

I would urge you to consider sending the advise to other purchasers of properties within 5 Skyline Place Lot 11 DP1258355 who may not otherwise be aware.

Many thanks

Laurie Sellers



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Dear Sir/Madam,

My wife and I have purchased an apartment in the 2nd stage of the "Jardin" Seniors Housing development at 5 Skyline Place (lot 11 DP1258355) and intend to live there full time as soon as it is completed.

We are writing to lodge a formal objection to Development Application DA2025/0151, which seeks to establish a childcare facility within the over 55's residential building at our address. There are several concerns that have already been raised by several residents of 7 Skyline Place that we believe warrant serious consideration. We are in full agreement with these objections and wish to add our strong support.

First and foremost, there are significant concerns regarding the potential for high traffic volumes in the area. Given that the development would introduce an influx of vehicles for drop-offs and pick-ups within the driveway of the residential buildings, this is likely to exacerbate an already congested and narrow driveway. The safety risks associated with this additional traffic cannot be overlooked, particularly in a development designed to accommodate the specific needs of senior residents such as ourselves. Traffic-related dangers are a legitimate concern, and the safety of the residents and risk to the children should take precedence.

In addition to traffic issues, the limited parking spaces in Skyline Place are a legitimate concern, especially when considering the cafe which is an already established business within 7 Skyline Place. Further demand on these on-road parking spaces would create unreasonable complications for residents, and cafe patrons who are already struggling to find available parking.

Another important issue is the potential loss of space in "The Jardin" (The Garden), which is a specific and highly promoted feature which has been heavily marketed as a tranquil garden for all residents of the seniors development to enjoy. The residents of 5 Skyline Place and 7 Skyline Place therefore have a reasonable expectation that this shared green space will remain undisturbed and that it will serve as a peaceful retreat for relaxation and well-being as advertised. The proposed development, however, threatens to diminish this space by carving off a large area as an exclusive facility, surrounded by a 1.8 meter fence, and utilised twice a day for children's play, thus undermining the quality of life for those who value this environment for its beauty, peace and serenity.

We propose that the very nature of a childcare facility within an over 55's residential community raises serious concerns. The promotional materials for the Jardin development specifically highlight the safety, security, and peaceful environment it offers to seniors, all while maintaining their independence and privacy in a luxury setting. Introducing a childcare facility into such a setting would not only disrupt the quiet nature of the

community but, by introducing and increasing the volume of traffic and non residents into the area would also compromise the safety and security that is central to the residents' peace of mind. It is difficult to reconcile the presence of a childcare facility with the development's ethos of providing a safe, quiet, and sophisticated environment akin to that of a luxury five star hotel.


The proximity of the childcare facility to residential apartments also raises valid concerns regarding noise. The activities of young children, particularly in the form of outdoor play and the general noise associated with a childcare setting, would likely disrupt the peace and quiet that residents of the surrounding buildings expect and deserve, especially given the intended use of the communal garden as a tranquil space.

For all these reasons, we ask you to seriously reconsider the approval of DA2025/0151 and give due weight to the concerns raised by ourselves and the residents of 7 Skyline Place. The proposed development would have a significant negative impact on the safety, tranquility, and quality of life of the senior residents. We strongly believe that this proposal is not in line with the intended purpose of the over 55's residential community.

In conclusion we wish to register our formal objection to the childcare proposal in DA2025/0151 for lot 11 DP1258355

Thank you for considering our submission and support of the concerns already raised.

Yours faithfully,

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Laurie and Christine Sellers

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