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The referenced Development Application cannot proceed. This application is to develop a Bowling Green in the middle of The Watermark Retirement Village. This Bowling Facility may also include a Licensed Venue serving alcohol and food to members and guests of the Harbord Diggers.

The proposed site is a community garden and shared greenspace for Watermark Residents. It is also a community facility for the residents and their families where they can visit and play with grandchildren and pets. It is not used as a licensed area serving alcohol, and is separate from the facilities of the Harbord Diggers.

Changing this site to a Harbord Diggers Bowling Green will have several impacts on the Watermark Retirement Village community.

- This development will extend the Harbord Diggers site into the site of the Watermark Retirement Village, reducing the residents' access to private resident space.
- This development will remove the residents' privacy and security.
- This development will increase noise, and foot traffic that will remove Watermark Village residents' right to quiet enjoyment of their homes, gardens, balconies and community shared spaces.
- This development will bring a licensed venue into the grounds, serving alcohol and food outdoors. This will increase noise, foot traffic and bring visits from a large number of people. This will impinge on the privacy of the residents of Watermark Retirement Village.

My parents, John and Moira Bennett, bought into the Watermark Retirement Village and enjoy the quiet space, the communal gardens and the separation from the adjoining Harbord Diggers club. They are concerned that the Bowling Green and / or the addition of a licensed venue would greatly reduce their privacy, security and quiet enjoyment of their home. Further, as their apartment was a significant investment they are concerned that extending the Harbord Diggers facilities in this way into the Retirement Village will negatively affect the value of their home.

Council should reject this Development Application.

Sincerely,

Alex Bennett