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**Sent:** 25/10/2020 1:33:06 PM  
**Subject:** Fwd: DA 2020/1233

Dear Council,

I am writing in strong opposition to DA 2020/1233 which is proposing a synthetic bowling green in the gardens of the Watermark Retirement Village above the Harbord Diggers at 80 Evans Street.

My reasons are as follows:

- I was assured when buying into this development that the communal area of Watermark would be completely private and for the use of residents only. At NO time was it explained to me that the bowling green would be used as public area for competition or penance games
- At no time was I told there would be a public licensed area among our Watermark gardens
- Apart from two fixed tables with four fixed benches and the scattering of other fixed benches there is NOWHERE for residents to sit down and enjoy any recreational time outside
- residents are already enduring unacceptable noise from the Harbord Diggers Club drifting from the club's beer garden, Carrington Street and Evans Street at night. To be subjected to more noise from an active public bowling green is repugnant and not conducive to retirement living
- Our privacy will be dramatically compromised by strangers literally playing in our backyard
- The proposed green will infringe on the only recreational area we have outside, two tables and four benches
- Gardens will have to be removed to accommodate the green
- With limited room for bystanders in the plan, where will they be accommodated? Spilling into our area?
- The dismantling of the green will have a significant impact on residents

- Why does Mounties need the space at Watermark when they have the perfectly good facility of Manly Bowling Club? I would like to hear their reasoning
- The grass of the bowling green is the ONLY grassed area residents have access to, another promise broken as original plans included expansive recreational space
- Why was the DA lodged without any consultation with the residents who pay very large fees to live here?

Please take these objections seriously. I moved here for to enjoy my later years in the knowledge I will be assured of privacy and security. Clearly, if this bowling green goes ahead, my home will no longer be my haven, but rather a public space for others to enjoy.

Kind Regards

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