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Application No. DA2020/1063

Residents Tyson Wassermeyer, Lorraine Delaney & Brydie Leigh Delaney of 3 Manuela Pl Curl Curl object to the proposed development at Frank Gray and Mike Pawley Oval (John Fisher Park) of additional sports lighting.

The proposed additional lighting in John Fisher park is of concern due to a number of factors.

- 1 - Environmental impact on local fauna.
  - 2- Increased noise and light pollution to immediate/adjoining residents
  - 3- inadequate parking and access via immediate/adjoining residential streets
  - 4 – Buffer Zone / rest period
  - 5 – consideration of other sites and review if utilisation of current infrastructure optimisation
- These points are briefly expanded below.

1. Environmental impact: The additional light pollution caused by the proposed installations will negatively impact on native birds such as Tawny frogmouth which hunt at night. John Fisher park currently has numerous playing services with high intensity lighting for a number of different sports disciplines, the proportion of park without lighting is low and allows a refuge for a number of species.
2. Noise: This is in addition to background Brookvale industrial area noise that often continues to 12am and again often starts at 4am. Vehicles and players coming and going are already extremely noisy directly in front of our house during day light hours, extending these hours into the night time is an infringement on the right to some respite from the noise pollution these sports bring. Household residents are shift workers and young families many of whom start work very early. Sports finishing circa 8.30pm will incur noise pollution much later than this with pack up and post-game socialising directly outside resident's homes.
3. Parking & dropping off/picking up: Regardless of what "proposed" control measures will be implemented for parking problems currently experienced in Manuela Pl. It is irrefutable to deny the increased risk to pets, small children and pedestrians when sports field users try to jostle for parking spots in the dark in a narrow cul-de-sac or double park over a resident's driveway to pick up or drop off their "players". Not to mention the danger of residents exiting and entering their premises. As it is a cul-de-sac configuration that recently has had to have a large portion of potential parking formally "no stopping zone" due to ongoing unsafe parking practices from school and sports drivers. Street parking is already severely limited to all street residents, ourselves have different schedules therefore need multiple vehicles and depend on street parking as well as others with no direct street frontage. The only respite to get parking for residents to access their homes is after 3.30pm when school finishes mon-Friday, 3.30-6.30pm there are also frequent persons parking in the street to access the park via cutting for personal/non-structured recreational activities, followed by sports sat-sun.
4. Buffer zone: There is no buffer zone between residential housing and the oval likewise its precedent is currently that of a busy day time sports field and adjacent high school and quiet night time setting. Changing the precedent to that of a highly lit night time use sports field will negatively impact not just immediate residents but any other member of public that would like to enjoy this open space outside sports club use which is fair and reasonable. Activities such as walking dogs on leash, playing un-official sports with children etc will be impacted by extending the times into the night hours.

5. Pittwater Road has numerous recreational spaces both public and private that are already semi lit, with direct access and often other recreational facilities nearby. Such as Millers Reserve, Brookvale park/oval, Dee Why park/oval, griffith Park Playing Field, lakeside park, Narrabeen sports high school facilities, BOONDAH RESERVE FIELD #1 THROUGH TO #7, Kitchener park sports centre and so on. As a resident directly affected by this proposal appreciation would be for evaluation / ensured optimal utilisation for these or other alternative sites. And hope that the optpionin/concerns of directly effected respondents is weighted highly in this decision process. In effect if this proposal goes through we as local residents will be afforded no opportunity to access or enjoy our own surrounds in the limited window we currently have.