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To the Planning Department Northern Beaches Council

I am writing in support of the above DA by Pittwater RSL to consult some outdoor pickleball courts on its premises at 82 Mona Vale Road, Mona Vale 2103.

I confirm that pickleball is the fastest growing sport on the northern beaches and the Northern Beaches Pickleball Association now has over 1000 members.

I have been acting as a host for the club (Association) for the past 12 months and I am aware the vast majority of participating members are over 60 years of age and are females. It is fantastic game for fitness, and social participation and the expansion of available venues to Pittwater RSL is crucial to the continued expansion of the sport on the northern beaches.

The proposed courts will be the only permanent courts available to the club. The NBPA operates from various venues throughout the northern beaches but none are permanent locations. I note for example that the Dee Why PCYC venue is excluded on Saturdays 29 June and 13 July. This is not an uncommon occurrence. The opportunity to have a permanent and secure location is an important development for the NBPA and the Pittwater RSL.

I therefore support the application by Pittwater RSL.

Kind regards Peter Ashcroft Apartment 71 Watermark Freshwater 80 Evans St, Freshwater NSW 2096