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RE: DA2020/1063 - 2 / 0 Bennett Street CURL CURL NSW 2096

Re: Withdrawal of DA2020/1063 Sportsfield Lighting

In the interests of the efficient use of time, I have summarised the reasons below as to why Council must withdraw the above DA immediately.

Multiple Problems for residents and constituents, leading to loss of amenity and further restriction of their entitlement to quiet enjoyment

Safety concerns on narrow, poorly lit streets
Excessive noise, including whistles, shouting, sports drills, physical impacts
Increased traffic on narrow streets
Parking shortages
Lighting until late into evenings
Lighting located too close to houses
No street barrier between residences and lights

This is a flawed process:

Misleading presentation given to Councillors by council staff on 11/11/2020, citing support from Community Engagement Survey, but neglecting opposition and legitimate concerns from local residents
Incorrect Notification of impacted residents on Bennet Street
Field numbers to be doubled, thereby increasing patronage
No noise report undertaken for application
No traffic report undertaken for application
No on-site parking solutions provided to cater for increased patronage
Community engagement process does not accurately reflect the views of the local community - heavily influenced by regional AFL club and submissions made by out of area members, with little or no connection to community
Community Engagement and application process all conducted during Covid epidemic
No study conducted into efficiency of field use by the AFL to determine need for lighting.
Costly Process
Costly solution
No justification for cost to be incurred at this location
Other options are available which already have lighting installed... Denzil Joyce Oval (lights already installed, low cost existing option and low impact on residents, not heavily used, particularly in winter when lighting is needed)
Not following John Fisher Park Plan of Management

Sloppy Work by paid Council Officers and Consultants in DA preparation:

Multiple fallacies and inaccurate generalisations in Statement of Environmental effects
Cut and paste errors from duplicate applications of Statement of Environmental Effects
Biodiversity report states support for application, but makes a recommendation of "not supported"

Council officers advised there was no real need to make a submission to Community Engagement because the DA process would determine the level of support or not, yet the community concerns raised in the DA submissions have so far been ignored.

Please withdraw this DA immediately