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I strongly object to the Mounties DA submission for the proposed construction of a competition grade bowling green and licensed facilities in the middle of the Watermark Freshwater senior's village.

My parents have been residents of Watermark Freshwater for two years and strongly object to the DA that has been lodged to change the village green into a bowling green. My main concerns are as follows.

As my parent's apartment faces the proposed bowling green, and this will be a licensed area, the noise generated by bowlers and their guests is also a concern plus the two months of construction changing the village green into a bowling green. As residents of an over 55's village, my parents thought they were buying into a safe and secure environment that would be peaceful and quiet.

Their unit looks directly at the proposed bowling green, and the increased noise and activity will greatly restrict the use of their outdoor area and also the use of the common outdoor areas that the residents currently enjoy.

One of the many reasons why my parents love living in this community is the security and privacy of the Village and knowing that generally people within the Village area are either residents or their families, not strangers wandering around and looking into the units that surround the bowling green.

My parents purchased their apartment on the understanding the surrounding environment was peaceful, quiet and secure. This clearly would no longer be the case with bowling occurring 7 days a week, 10 hours a day.

On purchasing their apartment they were very clearly told that there would be a small bowling green for the use 2x week of a local, limited in number, ladies bowling group and that the rest of the time it would be available for residents use. In this application this is most clearly not the case. The proposal opens the bowling green to use of all club members, in excess of 30,000 people, with very little opportunity for the residents to use it at all.

I find it inconceivable that this DA considers the sale and consumption of alcohol in the middle of any residential area (let alone an over 55's development) a good idea.

I find it disgraceful that anyone would think this is a good idea in the middle of an over 55s complex by putting the resident's security and safety at risk.

Not to mention, a lot of residents play bowls at Manly bowling club which Mounties own and a shuttle service is provided from the Diggers to the bowling club (pre Covid).