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## RE: DA2020/1233 - 68 - 90 Evans Street FRESHWATER NSW 2096

To whom it may concern.

I strongly object to this proposal to rip up the grass and change it to a larger chunk of toxic plastic substance. This material heats up to a very high temperature and has to be watered often to cool it down. It also smells horrible, I've played soccer on it and experienced the petrochemical smell.

We need as much green space we can get with all the concrete and paving around. Living plants absorb toxins and produce oxygen, this is our only grassed area and with the increased likelihood of lockdowns due to pandemics in this time we need some grass where we can take off our shoes and walk on to connect with nature and reduce our anxiety.

We have a permanent booking for tai chi class on Wednesday morning but we usually have to have the class inside because it is always too windy for the older residents. The windiness of this open area makes it unsuitable for timetabled events like bowls. We often change croquet to the afternoon because of the rain or wind.

For these reasons and the added noise and security risk to all the residents I implore you to reject this submission