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Subject: Fw: Lodgement of Objection to DA 2020/1233 Bowling Green Harbord Diggers

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To whom it may concern.

Please find attached my objection to DA2020/1233

Regards

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Lodgement of our Objection to DA 2020/1233 68-90 Evan Street

I wish to raise a strong objection to the proposed redevelopment of the bowling green at the Harbord Diggers Freshwater.

While I understand that commitments were made by Mounties to accommodate the 8 lady bowlers there was never any suggestion that we would have a full blown bowling club in the middle of where we live. It seems Mounties are happy to accommodate the bowlers but have not given consideration to the impact this will have on 135 people over 55's living here.

If the original commitment was met then I see no reason for any development of the existing bowling green. I am not sure if anyone would appreciate having a bowling green in their back yard but that's exactly what we are being told to accept.

As residents of an over 55 village we have had to endure continued disruption with constant building and rectification work over the last 2 ½ years. This will at least another six months of disruption to our lives.

There has been no consideration given to the fact that this is our home.

The Mounties group did not even show us the common courtesy of discussing the DA with us prior to it being lodged. If they had they would have heard all the concerns and worries that this is and will cause the residents.

The acoustic report is factually incorrect. The design of the village means that noise travels very easily. Today we hear conversations from the club below as if they were in our living room. While we accept that the club is as part of our lives we did not expect to be having groups of up to 50 people on any given day outside our balcony. Even when there is a small group talking on the bowling green today we can hear every word spoken. Bowling is not a quiet sport. Enforcing any sort of code of conduct in my opinion will not happen as we have issue on how things are managed between the residents and the club today.

Despite all assurance that this will not be disruptive there is no way that it will not impact on our lives in a negative way. People already have access to where we will live and encouraging more people will only mean security and privacy will become a bigger issue than it is today.

In addition there are no facilities in place today such as lockers and toilets so this will mean additional disruption to our lives.

I am also surprised, given that there are already three bowling greens within a few kilometres of the Harbord Diggers, that are also being used today by the 8 female bowlers that is a need to open another club. There will no doubt be an impact on the membership and financial viability of the existing clubs.

Regards

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