I wish to add my <u>wholehearted support</u> to the above application.

I understand that there is considerable objection from local residents. I suspect that this is simply a case of "not in my back yard".
I have read a recent SMH article reporting strong opposition to the project and believe that some of the reasons stated in the article are either wrong in fact or are based on old information and do not take to account revised plans submitted by the developer.

Under the revised DA the following benefits will accrue to the community generally:

- A wild life corridor will be established in the area. It is important to note that no such corridor currently exists.
- Much of the golf course basin is flood prone but under the DA extensive work will be undertaken to raise the land to better enable channelling of flood water.
- Significant money will be spent on a re-vegetation strategy thus improving the environmental footprint of the whole area.
- I understand that there is a shortage of high end Seniors accommodation in the immediate area and the additional homes proposed under the DA will help alleviate this shortage.
- The upgrading of the golf course and surrounds will ensure the long term viability of this wonderful community asset.
- The developer, Waterbrook, has a history of responsible development in other Sydney suburbs.

I am at a loss to reconcile the many benefits that this development will be bring to the local area, versus the objections which appear to be have been lodged by people with no more than a selfish, self interest.

We all live in a vibrant city which is ever growing. Our baby boomers must be housed, our communities must expand.
Life is full of shifting balances. So long as the benefits outweigh the negatives we must be prepared to accept that development is part of our every life now.

I sincerely hope Council rule in favour of the application.

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