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This letter expresses my concern regarding the Change of Use of 50 Starkey Street to a Permanent Group Home and requests Council to deny the application.

A Permanent Group Home is defined under NSW SEPP 9 - Group Homes as a household environment for persons disadvantaged for reasons of:

- alcohol or other drug dependence,
- extreme poverty,
- · psychological disorder,
- · delinquency and
- persons who require protection for reasons of domestic violence or upheaval.

Based on the definition above, I feel it is frankly dangerous to consider a permanent group home to be permitted to operate in a quiet, low density area, full of families with young children. I have serious concerns for my family and would like to have this noted on public record.

Every day there are streams of school children who walk past that very property, twice per day. It would pose a very real risk to allow potentially violent and/or unstable people to reside there or potentially people who are looking for the residents, living or parked on that same road. There is a high school, two primary schools and multiple preschools/daycare in a small radius of the property, this needs to be taken into consideration.

Group homes of this type may more appropriately be located on Warringah Rd or Pittwater Rd. These areas already provide medium to high density accommodation, immediate access to public transport and noise is less of an issue.

Additional issues that are likely to arise include:

- Increased noise
- Increased parking problems (already a challenge at times)
- Property devaluation,
- and, to reiterate, the prospect of having neighbours who could easily pose a security or safety threat to my family and others, cannot be overlooked.

I respectfully request council to please deny the application.