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To: Council Northernbeaches Mailbox
Subject: TRIMMED: Vista Avenue Tennis court lights proposal DA2023/0720

Dear Sir/Madam,

I am writing to you once again following my submission of 16/7/23 about the proposal by Bareena Park Tennis Club to install floodlights to 3 out of 5 of its courts. I understand they have submitted an amended DA application.

I live within 100m of the club.

I have a number of serious concerns that I would like to be formally lodged with Council.

1. Parking on my street is already at breaking point. Particularly on Fridays and weekends, visitors to the club park on streets close to driveways, making access in and out of properties problematic and making crossing the road, particular for children, hazardous. There are numerous blind spots and as weekend traffic is greater due to Tania Park I fear someone will eventually get run over. There are a lot of primary school aged children living here.

2. There are plenty of lit tennis clubs within a 10 minute drive from this location. I have spoken to many users of the Bareena Tennis Club and they are all from outside Balgowlah Heights, indeed often times they are closer to the other local tennis clubs. I have been told on multiple occasions that users of the club prefer to come to Vista Ave as it is "quieter"! Surely this won't be the case with increased use at night, certainly not for local residents.

3. Light spill will be inevitable, so local residents will now have to tolerate light pollution at night, when we should be relaxing and enjoying quiet use of our homes. This will also change the wildlife here, both mammals and insects directly having an impact on our homes. Noise levels will also increase at night, has a sound pollution study been done at night?

4. This club has always been for daytime use only, we bought our homes on that basis. Like the Balgowlah Bowling club and the Ball Boy cafe, who both now have extended liquor licenses, council is ruining the residential feel of this neighbourhood. With Manly, Seaforth, Fairlight and other commercial areas very close by, why impact residents in a quiet residential area where families have bought property to be away from such activity?

Please take the above into consideration and I would be happy to further elaborate on any of these points.

Yours sincerely,

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