

I object to the proposal for the new sports facility at Weigall.

I have serious concerns about the impact of this facility during the building phase and its impact after it is built on my day to day wellbeing.

I work and live in                      on the North East corner and the experience of the light because of the open playing field and the quietness of living in a cul de sac have been major reasons I have chosen to live here.

The extensive loud noise and dust during the construction phase would make it impossible to work from home causing potential loss of income or at the very least incur costs for me to have an office as I work for myself.

The impact during building of noise and dust will make it almost impossible to live here. We have old windows which have no sound proofing and we are unable to get double glazing as we can not change the windows as they are part of the overall look of the old building which fits with the feel of Paddington.

It was stated that the building could not be built elsewhere due to the field being a flood plane. It seems that more work and consideration could be put into an option to building the facility on a platform of some sort. It seems that it is more likely that they did not want to reduce the size of the playing fields and made that a priority over the impact on the local residents. Building a new facility near the train overpass and New South Head Road would have less impact on the community and there is currently a building there on site so it seems possible to have a building there without much concern.

The loss of view after built will have an impact on my day to day lived experience. The open views have helped keep us connected to the environment given that will live in a very small space (48 SM) and have no balcony or outdoor space as part of the building other than the washing line.

Other issues that I think should be taken into account:

The building as proposed will be higher than any surrounding buildings and not in keeping with the look and feel of the neighbourhood.

Vialoux Ave is a small street. It is difficult as it is for the garbage trucks to get in and out. They tend to back out of the street on collection day. Having this small street as the main entrance for deliveries and construction does not make sense and will add difficulty to a street that already gets significant traffic during school drop off and pick up times.

Taking away 6 parking spots on this small street which does not have enough resident parking seems like it is not community minded. There are apartment blocks on Lawson and Vialoux and not enough visitor and resident parking currently.