

SUBMISSION

Weigall Sports Complex, Sydney Grammar School

Application No. SSD-10421

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Submission

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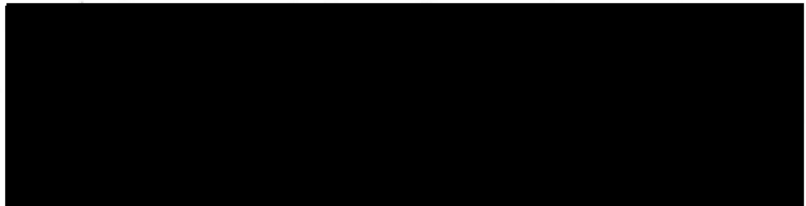
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OBJECTION

Please chose Option 4

Application number SSD-100421 Weigall Sports complex SGS

The industrial scale of this proposed SGS Sports' facility does not belong on the proposed location within a tightly packed residential neighbourhood. I request that you site it on Option 4 where it will cause less disturbance to residents, both in the construction and long term.

Furthermore - that this extravagant monument to privilege is to to be erected smack-bang in the faces of the most vulnerable residents – those of us [REDACTED] who live in the 65 apartments [REDACTED] on Lawson St - is particularly unconscionable. Where is the school's moral compass? Where is their sense of responsibility to the community that surrounds them?

"Site Concept Options" Section 4.4 & 4.5 of the DA show that only 4 sites were considered, 3 of them merely different orientations on the tennis courts which are intimately adjacent to our DOH building . Only in Option 4 was a nod given to elsewhere. The site of the current Weigall building or in fact any other site on this vast expanse of playing fields was apparently not considered at all. So site concept options have not been adequately explored, and in fact there seems little reason not to build on Option 4 which would have considerably less social impact.

PERSONAL

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] It is my home, not some fly- by- night rental. There are people here who are housebound, and/or have complex mental and physical problems. There are people here in extreme old age.

EXISTENTIAL IMPACT

Our enjoyment and peace in our homes will impacted existentially by this construction. The DA mentions "Construction fatigue" and indeed we have had enough already! The construction of the the ENCORE building on the corner of Nield Ave impacted us with unbearable noise of drilling & excavation, and earth tremors which damaged the fabric of this building. Several residents reported extreme trauma including one who had to be hospitalised with stress.

How much worse will the noise disturbance and earth tremors be with the SGS building in much more intimate proximity than the ENCORE . It will be like actually living in a building site.

as a teaching tool" is typical of the flim-flam and vague & meaningless motherhood statements in this DA. Ha ha - a teaching tool on how to to kick the already disadvantaged?

Social impacts on page 138 section 5:12 of the DA glosses over the serious impacts of earthshattering noise toxic dust etc during construction – 6 days a week for 18-24 months, plus the ongoing noise from operation & and the greatly increased vehicular traffic. A pledge to "continue to investigate options for the local community to use the facilities " is a sop & later the DA limits such possible opportunity to organisations.

5:14;2 "existing noise sources to be eliminated " is laughable. Eliminate the pop of tennis balls on the courts and the sounds of young children enjoying a healthy civilised outdoor game (no raucous shouts or cheers except on the very occasional Saturday sports days) And replace it with hellish construction mayhem, and service traffic day and night into the future.

TRAFFIC

Figure 89 page 156 DA shows construction vehicles driving all the way around from Neild Ave in front of the Lawson St flats and entering the site from Vialoux Ave. Is this a joke? It's is a recipe for traffic chaos, pollution from exhaust and yet more NOISE. Not only will our rear rooms be impacted by the building site but we will have trucks carrying massive equipment lined up brum-brumming outside our front bedrooms! The DA mentions well over 100 workmen on site at a time - where are they going to park? Where are they going to have lunch and smoko?

IMPACT ON OUR AMENITY

The negative implications on our amenities in the future once the erection is complete include cutting off our access to the sky, green & distant views, our light, sunlight and the only free warmth in winter. Existing damp & mould will be exacerbated. Our washing lines will be overshadowed, unusable during construction and then completely overshadowed..

The smokestack required for removal of chlorine fumes from the pools will spread respiratory pollution for the longterm. (are they chlorine pools, can't find that in DA)

ENVIRONMENT

The environmental impact will include removal of old trees for which new tree planting cannot compensate in terms of carbon capture, and disruption of the territory of our friendly magpie families and other birdlife, native birds including kookaburras who have returned during the CoVid quiet.

MITIGATION OF SOCIAL IMPACT

To mitigate the social impact on children in these buildings why not offer SGS scholarships to the [REDACTED] bedroom (& homework room) overlooks the building site directly, [REDACTED] who, [REDACTED] currently enjoy cheerful top floor

views and full sunlight in their living room.

And something [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] I suppose you will anticipate that their educational progress will be rendered so befuddled by the constant deafening noise of building and the pollutants spewed out by the building process that they would be unable to take advantage of your school's academic excellence?

INABILITY TO MAKE SUBMISSION

Please note that certain residents of our building who would object to this threat to their peace of mind are unable to write an objection, and there is no time to assist all of them. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] SGS, [REDACTED]

Semi -finally I accuse the Dept of Planning Industry & Environment of dereliction of due process – in that occupiers in surrounding private houses received notification of this development application dated 6 Nov, whereas the residents **most intimately affected** by the building and presence of the SGS monstrosity - the residents of the 65 [REDACTED] apartments on Lawson St & Vialoux Ave – **were not sent any notices**, and finally **only after we alerted** your office to the omission, a notice was sent dated 18 Nov received 24 Nov or later.

This is a dereliction of due process and blatant discrimination. The extension of the objection date to 18 Dec was inadequate given the quality & quantity of this delay . I will be taking this complaint to the Minister & the Ombudsman, possibly to the anti Discrimination Tribunal.

The so called Community Consultations also had several missteps & poor communication, requirements were minimised because of CoVid, & then the DA was put in just before Christmas when families have other priorities.

And finally, this gross extravagant monument to privilege and entitlement does not belong in our brave new post CoVid world – when public schools could not even afford soap in their bathrooms! Glenmore Rd public school nearby has had demountable classrooms for decades. Daily we read that of various disadvantage : public - school teachers pay out of their own pockets for writing materials and educational outings for children. If SGS can blow 50 million on this ultimately unnecessary vanity project – or at least unnecessarily large – then it behoves them to refuse the same amount in government handouts and request that the cash be directed to needy public schools in NSW.