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HASTINGS SECONDARY COLLEGE PORT MACQUARIE CAMPUS UPGRADE 16 OWEN STREET, PORT MACQUARIE (SSD-11920082)

FAMILY PROPERTY - 7/11 OWEN STREET, PORT MACQUARIE

We wish to register our objection to Stage 3 (only) of the proposed Campus Upgrade, being the development of a shared use multi-sports facility in partnership with the Police Citizens Youth Club (PCYC) at the current proposed site of the Port Macquarie Campus.

Our objections to Stage 3 of the proposal is that the development will cause unacceptable ongoing noise disruption to the social amenity of nearby residents, including my family given that the proposed facility, reading from the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) will have operating hours of 6am to 10pm, 7 days a week.

The bulk of the PCYC facility will also impact on the unit the family owns and other neighbours views. For us on Level 4 the EIS indicates that Level 3 – 5 will be adversely affected. (Whatever happened to those on Level 1 and 2 who will be further impacted by decreasing views and increased car and people movements outside their windows.) The EIS is misleading in that it takes no account of the fact that 11 Owen Street has two units per floor and each side of the building will be impacted adversely and differently.

We have a great deal of concern about the increased traffic and congestion in Owen Street that the PCYC facility and its operating hours will create on an already busy suburban street. The increase in noise (including voices) associated with traffic and people coming and going from the PCYC with little respect for others peaceful enjoyment of their property.

The increase in people wanting to park in an already busy street where parking can be at times a premium is also an issue.

If the PCYC is to attract people from round the district, why not locate it closer to where people live or have easy access to if coming off the highway in an area where young families who might want to use the facility live, and where new developments and schools, like Sovereign Hills can be developed from scratch to accommodate the facility, parking and away from residential areas, but close to schools that have been built there.

Please contact me if you require further comment.

Yours sincerely

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