

**Submission
No 184**

**INQUIRY INTO SOCIAL, PUBLIC AND AFFORDABLE
HOUSING**

Name: Mr Suresh Prasad

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I have lived on the Ivanhoe Estate for 14 years and I enjoy living in this area and I attend 8 clubs around the area every week to play bingo. I have raised my Family here and I now reside alone and have many friends amongst my neighbours. In Cobar Way we all look out for each other and assist each other very often with different things.

The Salvation Army on this Estate has done many things for everyone and I admire them greatly. Everything is convenient here, shopping centres, buses, trains and we have become very used to this place. It is our home! My medical practitioner is nearby and my family are nearby if I need them.

My grandson and granddaughter are at school and university nearby and it is very important for me to have a role in their lives. I am Fijian by birth and involvement in family and children's lives is very important in a cultural sense. My family and I spend a lot of time at the park so having somewhere outdoors to meet is once again very important.

I am concerned that no one seems to know where we will go if they decide to demolish this place as I may be sent away from my family and I would find it very distressing to be separated from my grandchildren and other family members

Thank you for accepting my Submission

Suresh Prasad

25th February 2014.