

**INQUIRY INTO ALLEGATIONS OF IMPROPRIETY  
AGAINST AGENTS OF THE HILLS SHIRE COUNCIL AND  
PROPERTY DEVELOPERS IN THE REGION**

**Name:** Name suppressed  
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To Portfolio Committee No. 7- Planning and Environment,

We've just become aware of this inquiry but the cut off is tomorrow and there isn't sufficient time to prepare a more detailed submission. However we experienced many issues and lack of response to the concerns we raised regarding a development next door to us that has since been completed. The process lacked transparency and it felt like council was enabling the property developer and not taking our concerns into account. For example, In the process of demolition, several 50 year old camellia trees on our common boundary were removed. These trees were the habitat of native wildlife including antechinus and king parrots, we no longer see this fauna. It has been a very stressful couple of years. We understand the property developer has been involved in other projects in the area and we hope this inquiry uncovers any influence that the developers have in the integrity of Council processes.