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PRESENTED BY

Anthony Roberts

I certify that this Petition conforms to the requirements of the Standing Orders

Helen Minnician

Clerk of the Legislative Assembly

Received 10/11/20 PETITION  
To the Honourable the Speaker and Members of the  
Legislative Assembly of New South Wales.

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The Petition of citizens and residents of Lane Cove and localities brings to the attention of the House the proposed redevelopment of the Lane Cove Golf Course (**Golf Course**) as a recreation precinct by the Lane Cove Council (**Council**) as detailed in the Council's Sport and Recreation Precinct – Concept Plan (**Plan**) which proposes to substantially redevelop the Golf Course to the detriment of the golfers and local community, namely:

- (a) The Council proposal does not comply with the published terms of the Expression of Interest that were agreed and accepted by Council & the Lane Cove Council Recreation Precinct Advisory Committee (**RPAC**) (3<sup>rd</sup> August 2018) (**EOI**) which clearly stated that any redevelopment "**must retain the course footprint and current par at a minimum (Clause 4.1 of EOI (Vision))**" & "**cater for retention of existing footprint and par at a minimum**" (**Clause 4.3.3 of EOI (Outdoor Facilities (Mandatory))**);
- (b) RPAC was not advised of the revised Plan prior to the Council staff submitting it to the Council for approval showing a lack of due process and natural justice as well as failing to adequately allow proper consideration of this alternative proposal;
- (c) The Plan is inconsistent with Lane Cove Council Management Plan for the Lane Cove Golf Course;
- (d) The Plan:
  - eliminates 33% of the current course layout;
  - reduces the Par of the course from 64 to a 58 (resulting in a "pitch & putt facility");
  - includes a "driving range" in place of the existing 8<sup>th</sup>/17<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup>/18<sup>th</sup> fairways and 8<sup>th</sup>/17<sup>th</sup> greens scoped by the Council to result in 53,500 visits per annum detrimentally impacting the quiet enjoyment of neighbouring properties as well as likely environmental destruction to the local fauna and flora;
  - Includes a "putt-putt course" in place of the existing 9<sup>th</sup> green;
  - Includes a "short game practice area in place of the 7<sup>th</sup> green; and
  - Increases traffic movements, noise & light pollution adversely impacting residents.

The undersigned petitioners therefore ask the Legislative Assembly to bring the proposed development to the attention of the Planning Minister and call on the Minister to call in the development, refuse the development and ensure that any future development of the Lane Cove Golf Course does not reduce the Par of the Lane Cove Golf Course and does not proceed with the development of a driving range and/or putt-putt course thereby avoiding the substantial development of the Lane Cove Golf Course contrary to the Council's undertakings to "retain the existing footprint and Par at a minimum" and orders the Council to stop its proposed consultation and development of the Golf Course.

Department of the Golf Course