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10 McDonald Street
Melton South 3338

22 May 2019

Chief Executive Officer
Melton City Council
"McDonald Street Submission"
PO Box 21 Melton Vic 3337



NOTICE OF INTENTION TO USE LAND FOR ANOTHER PRUPOSE (The Reserve)

To whom it may concern

In response to the above, my wife and I object for the following reasons:

Historically at the the time of subdivision from rural to residential (circa 1960) the reserve was funded by those purchasing housing blocks and set aside in trust by Melton Council as public open space.

We have resided here for forty-five years and daily enjoy the open space the reserve offers from urban development. Our children, and now grand-children use the reserve for recreation:

Surrounding residents also enjoy this amenity and families, visitors and their children often use the reserve as a playground via back fence access gates from their properties in McDonald Street and Manson Drive.

As McDonald and surrounding streets are designated for future higher density living, and current properties are redeveloped with building sites maximized, the reserve will become even more significant as existing.

If a section of the reserve is sold and subdivided, the entrance area and extra traffic will add to congestion in McDonald Street and nearby intersections. Reserve trees may also be affected.

The nature, size and type of structure required for Community Care Accommodation is at this stage, unknown.

In making this submission we do not require to formally address Council but anticipate further advice.

Yours faithfully

Bernie and Bev OSTERMAN

Lyle Shannon
Bev Osterman
10 McDonald St Melton SA



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Tom & Pauline Stotten
36 Manson Drive
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Submission

With reference to the rezoning and sale of land at 3-13 McDonald Street Melton South from public open space to residential.

As concerned rate payers and residents of Melton for the past 52 years my wife and I are against the motion to rezone the land as mentioned from open space to residential, namely for the following reasons.

1. My wife and I purchased this land in good faith due to the environmental aspects with the open public space being the main reason. Our desire was to have this open space for ours and other people's children to have a safe place to play then, and for it to continue into the future.
2. At the time of purchasing our block of land the subdivision of the land from rural to residential in the mid 1960's the purchase price of our land had the open space factored into it to cover the cost of the open space, thus if the open space is changed to residential we will have paid the extra for nothing.
3. The notice states part usage of the land to be rezoned and built on, then why rezone the whole area? This leads us to ask another question, what the rest of the land will be used for in the future and will it be sold off to developers?
4. If we lose this open space for our children and those of our visitors and the future generations, there will only be open spaces for kicking footballs and other activities some kilometres away, thus adding further angst with children crossing roads and being out of sight of the adults.
5. As council is proposing to on sell the land to the Victorian Government and there is no need for the Victorian Government to obtain a building permit for these facilities, the council and resident have no say in what is to be built. This could further erode the value of our properties in the area.
6. Establishment of community care accommodation will devalue our asset, now and in the future. We wish for this rezoning and development not to proceed now or in the future.
7. The proposed Community Care Accommodation planned to be built does not fit with the local community as it has the ability to bring to this quiet neighbourhood increased traffic congestion as well as the possibility of undesirable tenants and others that could pose a threat to local community. The proposed facility should be placed closer to medical facilities as there is sure to be those needs.
8. As there is so much vacant land available within the City of Melton we feel that there is ~~no need for the rezoning of the open space that the community are currently using.~~
9. We look forward to a meeting with the Coburn Ward Councillors, Cr Bob Turner, Sophie Ramsay and Ken Hardy at a time mutual to all and prior to close off date as suggested in Cr Majdlik email to us dated 20th May 2019.

Yours Faithfully

Tom & Pauline Stotten Phone: 0400878735

Tom Stotten

27/5/2019

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Linda & Mile Petrov
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MELTON SOUTH 3338

1 June 2019

Chief Executive Officer
Melton City Council
"McDonald St Submission"
P O Box 21
MELTON 3337



In reference to your notice in the Star Weekly – dated 14 May 2019:

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO USE LAND FOR ANOTHER PURPOSE

The land in question situated at 3-13 McDonald Street Melton South which was originally acquired for Public Open Space and now proposed by Council to be used for the establishment of Community Care Accommodation.

We advise that we have concerns regarding the type of Community Care Accommodation that is to be built. There is no mention of what type of facility this is to be. We have lived at 1 McDonald Street Melton South since 1985 and have enjoyed having this open space where children play every night after School and on Weekends. It is refreshing to see children out playing in the park instead of sitting inside looking at screens and not out in the fresh air getting plenty of exercise. These green open spaces will gradually become a thing of the past.

We also have concerns about increased traffic in McDonald Street if this proposal goes forward. This is a quiet area where children can play safely in the Park where they can kick a football, soccer ball or just play chasey.

Surely there would be somewhere more appropriate for this facility to be built rather than in a quiet suburban street.

Linda & Mile Petrov

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Christine Denyer

From: kuyaden2@tpg.com.au
Sent: Thursday, 6 June 2019 11:33 AM
To: Christine Denyer
Subject: McDonald Street Rezoning

Chief Executive Officer
Melton City Council
McDonald St. Submission

I am writing to officially oppose the rezoning of the Public Open Space 3-13 McDonald Street for any other purpose than what it was originally intended for--that being Public Open Space.

I build my house in Manson Drive so that looking out from my windows and my back garden I would have an uninterrupted view of open space.

I express my strongest opposition to the rezoning and any building or buildings/facilities proposed to be built on this land as it will devalue my assets and way of life.

As for a proposed building of Community Care Accommodation.....this large facility will impact on my privacy. Noise, constant traffic, the unknown residents and type of building or buildings could also cause me stress and my health could suffer. I am in my twilight days of life now.

Dated this day 6th day of June 2019
Yours faithfully

Dennis Trodden
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Melton South 3338

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Christine Denyer

From: satyen kothari <satyen_kothari@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, 10 June 2019 4:41 PM
To: Christine Denyer; Matthew Milbourne; Internet Enquiries
Cc: khushi.satyen@gmail.com
Subject: McDonald Street Submission

To

Chief Executive Officer

Melton City Council

Subject: 'McDonald St Submission'

I would like to object for the following reasons:

1. The proposed use does not comply with Melton Planning Scheme.

The subject site is currently zone as Public Park and Recreation Zone (PPRZ) as per the Melton Planning Scheme. The purpose of the current zone PPRZ

- a) To implement the Municipal Planning Strategy and the Planning Policy Framework.
- b) To recognise areas for public recreation and open space.
- c) To protect and conserve areas of significance where appropriate.
- d) To provide for commercial uses where appropriate.

As per the Melton Planning Scheme the proposed Use – "Community Care Accommodation" (nested in the residential use (accommodation) does not justify the purpose of the zoning and hence it is a prohibited. Therefore the proposed use does not comply with the Melton Planning Scheme.

The exemption listed in Clause 16.01-6S -Melton Planning Schemes only applies to residential land and not on the land used as Public Park. Therefore the Community care Accommodation requires a planning permit and needs to advertised under Planning and Environment Act

2. The propose use is contravene the Planning and Environment Act 1987.

Section 4 (1) (e) of Planning and Environment Act 1987 - States the objective of planning in Victoria:-

"to protect public utilities and other assets and enable the orderly provision and co-ordination of public utilities and other facilities for the benefit of the community".

The Act clearly identifies protecting public assets for the benefit of community is one of the objectives of planning in Victoria. Here amending the use of land from Public Park to allow for the residential use is not consistent with Section 4(1)(e) of Planning and Environment Act 1987.

Section 4(2)(d) of Planning and Environment Act 1987 - States the objective of planning in Victoria:-

"to ensure that the effects on the environment are considered and provide for explicit consideration of social and economic effects when decisions are made about the use and development of land".

Here the proposed use of the land as Community Care Accommodation does not ensure that the effect on environment is considered over erratic decision of change of use of the land. The proposal does not facilitate the use of land and the development that achieves the objectives of planning in Victoria (The Act) and planning objectives set up in planning schemes.

3. The proposal is contravene Subdivision Act 1988.

During the time of subdivision the parcel of land was aside on the plan, for public open space, in a location satisfactory to the Council under Section 18 (1) of subdivision Act 1988. Under Section 20 (1) of the Subdivision Act, a Council **must** set aside for public open space any land which is vested in the Council for that purpose.

By subdividing the portion of land for the residential use contravene the purpose under Section 20(1) of the subdivision Act. The section of the act uses the term "**must**" and not "**should**" which means that it does not provide any flexibility to Council to use the land for alternative purpose.

4. Confidentiality required for Community care accommodation begin compromised

As per Clause 16.01-6 of Melton Planning Scheme, the Objective of Community care accommodation is to facilitate the establishment of community care accommodation and support their location being kept confidential. The strategy requires facilitating the confidential establishment of community care accommodation through appropriate permit, notice and reviewing exemptions.

The exemption listed in Clause 16.01-6S -Melton Planning Schemes only applies to residential land and not on the land used as Public Park. Therefore the Community care Accommodation requires a planning permit under Melton Planning Scheme and needs to be advertised under Planning and Environment Act 1987.

In reference to the above discussion Local Government or State Government does not have right to breach Planning and Environment Act 1987; Subdivision Act 1988 and Melton Planning Scheme. It also does not have right to compromise the confidentiality and privacy associated with Community Care Accommodation.

Due to the breach of all the above the proposed development cannot be considered at McDonald Street, Melton South.

For further clarification regarding the submission please be free to contact Satyen Kothari on 0406805750 or satven_kothari@yahoo.com

Regards

Satyen Kothari - Owner of 38 Manson Dr Melton South

Submission for consideration regards the proposed removal of reserve status from 3-13 McDonald Street Melton South.

For the Attention of the CEO

Dear Sir,

I am opposing the proposed change of reserve status to the current land located on McDonald Street in Melton South.

Living in the fastest growing growth corridor in the state, there has been a marked increase in urban development within Melton and now Melton South areas, especially within the last 5 years with addition of multiple estate's (such as Atherstone) that are being built and established in what has previously been farmland. As such, the stretches of urban green space within the immediate area of the McDonald reserve are being consumed.

The World Health Organisation (WHO) has identified the importance of urban green spaces as they represent a fundamental component of any urban ecosystem. Green urban areas facilitate physical activity and relaxation, and form a refuge from noise. Trees produce oxygen, and help filter out harmful air pollution, including airborne particulate matter. The reserve in McDonald Street plays a critical role in providing a site for physical activity, social interaction and for recreational activities for all residents of the area.

Recent estimates published by the WHO show that physical inactivity, linked to lack of access to recreational areas, accounts for 3.3% of global deaths. Having access to green spaces can reduce health inequalities, improve well-being, and aid in treatment of mental illness. Research studies have also found that that physical activity in a natural environment assists the remedy mild depression as it aids with a reduction of physiological stress indicators.

Over the years, multiple residents within the area have contacted the council to ask if there were plans to return the play equipment and complete some sort of upgrade to the space. The feedback has been that equipment could not be replaced as there was too high of a risk that a child may be injured, and that insurance premiums were too costly, however the residents were assured that the green space would remain. I find this interesting given that the Fraser Street reserve was recently upgraded with several pieces of play and exercise equipment in addition to BBQ facilities that all could cause significant injury. As such why has the McDonald Street reserve not received a park redevelopment?

I would also like to know what other green areas were considered within Melton for the proposed community housing development. Further, why does community housing need to be built in any urban green space? Given the number of estates within the council borders, could council not stipulate when approving estate developments that a certain number of blocks are to be sold the department for development of community housing? These blocks are already going to have houses built on them, so there is no loss of urban green space.

I also cannot understand why pre-existing properties could not be purchased by the department. Surely there will be a significant cost in securing the land and then building the residences so why would pre-existing dwellings not be considered? It greatly concerns me that there has been no environmental/economic/risk benefit work completed prior to the proposed reallocation of the land. As such, how can any resident be asked to support a proposal when one has not been done. As

such, how can the council honestly propose that this development is benefit to anyone (including council) if we do not know what the proposed impact of the development will be?

I am also curious to know what the council plans to do with the profit from the proposed sale of the land. Will that be reinvested in the remaining reserve to provide amenities for our community? I would also like information regards the proposed development including:

- How wide would the proposed driveway be? Would this be fenced in?
- Would this increase the risk that vehicles would be able to access the reserve creating a significant risk to public safety?
- Where would lighting be placed on the driveway?
- What impact would the lighting have on the immediate properties in the area?
- What would be done to protect native wildlife that is currently residing in the reserve?
- What will be done to guarantee the reserve status if the proposed development goes ahead?

Most importantly, what are the council plans for the rest of the reserve if the development proceeds? What guarantee do we have that council will not decide to sell the land to developers or the department for further community housing when looking for source of revenue?

I would like to make it clear that I am in no way opposed to community housing. This is an essential service for our community, which is why it needs to be co-located where there are community services and employment opportunities. As such, a more central location that is designated for development would seem to be more appropriate and cost effective for both the department and the council.

What I do vehemently oppose is the loss of the green space for our immediate community.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you would like to discuss this further. I would also like to be contacted to be informed of the outcome of the decision as I have been informed that this matter will most likely be discussed at a closed meeting where the public are excluded from the discussion, as was the case when the proposed reclassification of the reserve occurred.

With Regards,



Nicole Keogh

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Chief Executive Officer
Melton City Council
"McDonald St Submission"
PO BOX 21
Melton Vic 3337



6th June 2019

Dear Sir,

RE: MCDONALD STREET SUBMISSION

We are writing to **OBJECT** to the above submission to convert Open Space to a Community Care Accommodation as outlined below:

- There is currently Care Housing approximately 240 metres from the site, you are looking to develop
- There is also another Cared Residential Facility approximately 700 metres from the site you are looking to develop
- There is also another Care Facility 1.4kms from the site you are looking to develop
- There is also another Cared Residential Facility approximately 1.7 kms from the site you are looking to develop, this one also has vacant land adjacent to the existing dwelling which would also be ideal for a proposed New Care Facility
- Another Care Residential Facility 1.9kms from the site you are looking to develop
- There is another Care Facility 2.6kms from site you are looking to develop
- Don't you feel that with a 5 klm radius of this site that there is enough Care Facilities in our area (6 Care Facilities in total)
- There is also Vacant Premises which would be ideal for use of a Community Care Facility approximately 950 metres from the site you are looking at develop, which already has established dwellings
- With all the new development going up in our City don't you think that this facility would be better placed in the new development where there is current construction underway
- Since Abbey/Brooklyn Road overpass has been open we have an increase in traffic within our streets, the traffic diverts up our streets now when boom gates are down and the roundabout is blocked (Cars are not travelling at the correct speed either when coming around from Abbey/Brooklyn Rd)
- The widths of the streets in our area are quite tight when you have cars parked on either side of the street this would become quite an issues for emergency services to come down if there was an incident at this facility therefore making the site inaccessible if services were required

- Emergency services in our area is already at critical point now with another developed Community Care Facility I feel these resources would not be able to cope if an incident occurred at the proposed site
- Also is Council prepared to upgrade fences to approximately 19 houses which are attached to the proposed site has this been accounted for in the Budget for 2020

- With the recent studies showing that we don't have enough Open Areas now how do you think it looks that you as a council wish to develop this open space
- Find below a few quotes that the Government has issued in relevance to Open Space published on 2nd June 2019 taken from an article online from Premier.vic.gov.au these are
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- Quotes attributable to Minister for Energy, Environment and Climate Change Lily D'Ambrosio
- "Victoria was the Garden State and through investments like this, our beautiful, vibrant city can once again be known as the parks capital of Australia."
- "Melbourne is already one of the world's most liveable cities and we're ensuring future generations in these growing suburbs have access to open, green space."
- "We're making sure every Victorian family has a great local park to enjoy a day off and spend time together, no matter where they live."

- Let's make sure that Melton is also in-line to making sure there is a local park in which our Children and Grand-Children can enjoy

- So we are saying **NO to the Development** of this land

We look forward to a reply of acknowledgement to the above Objections in regards to the Development of McDonald St Reserve.

Regards,

Debra & Rodney Ferguson

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TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO USE LAND FOR ANOTHER PURPOSE (THE RESERVE)

In response to the above, I object for the following reasons:

Historically at the time of subdivision from rural to residential (circa 1960), the reserve was funded by those purchasing housing blocks and set aside in trust by Melton Council as public open space.

I have resided here for 47 years and daily enjoy the open space the reserve offers from urban development. My children and now my grand-children use the reserve for recreation.

Surrounding residents also enjoy this amenity and families, visitors and their children often use the reserve as a playground, via back fence access gates from their properties in McDonald Street and Manson Drive.

As McDonald and surrounding streets are designated for future high density living and current properties are re-developed with building sites maximised, the reserve will become even more significant as existing.

If a section of the reserve is sold and subdivided, the entrance area and extra traffic will add to congestion in McDonald Street and nearby intersections. Reserve trees may also be affected.

The nature, size and type of structure required for community care accommodation is at this stage, unknown.

In making this submission, we do not require to formally address Council, but anticipate further advice.

Yours faithfully

Judith Loft

Judith Loft
07-6-19.

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Ms A M Pacilli & Mr M J Morgan
40 Manson Drive
Melton South VIC 3338
Ph: 0401 384 808



Dear Chief Executive Officer,

RE: McDonald St Submission

We are writing to voice concern over the rezoning and sale of the Public Open Space 3-13 McDonald Street. As Melton shire is undergoing rapid expansion and population growth, it is more vital than ever that existing green spaces within the shire are preserved for the good of the community.

The McDonald Street land was acquired for Public Open Space, and it serves the community well as a recreational space and nature reserve. I have listed below some key benefits that the land provides to locals:

- Wide open space for children to play
- Recreational activities such as football, soccer, frisbee, etc.
- Dog-friendly
- Outdoor family gatherings, picnics, etc.
- Encourages general fitness and wellbeing
- Home to old large native trees and birdlife

As ratepayers, we are proud that Melton council invests heavily in environmental sustainability and community projects. We understand there is a growing need for community care facilities in the Melton area – however with new land constantly being opened for development, it seems short-sighted to repurpose a valuable public asset in the heart of the community.

Melton council has provided scarce detail as to how the McDonald Street land sale will affect the community. This is alarming given that the proposed sale is to the Department of Human Services who are not required to consult with the community once the sale is finalised. Numerous questions about the proposal remain unanswered, such as:

- What is the nature of the proposed Community Care Accommodation?
- The proposal is for a partial land sale, so what will remain of the public land? Is it also likely to be repurposed?
- How long is construction expected to take and how will it impact residents near the McDonald Street land? e.g. construction noise, increased traffic, disruption to services, etc.
- How is this project expected to affect land value in the surrounding area?

We hope that Melton council will consider rejecting the rezoning and sale proposal for the McDonald Street land so that local residents may continue to utilise this valuable public space.

Yours sincerely,

Handwritten signatures of Adelle Pacilli and Matthew Morgan.

Adelle Pacilli & Matthew Morgan

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Chief Executive Officer
Melton City Council

"McDonald Street Submission"

I refer to Council's Notice of Intention to use the green open space/playing area at 3-13 McDonald Street for another purpose and submit my objection to its intended sale and use for the establishment of community care accommodation. Council has provided very limited information on the exact nature of their intentions for this land, other than the land will be subject to re-zoning and sale to DHS for intended Community Care Accommodation. A phone call to Council only gleaned the additional fact that there would need to be a live-in carer in the proposed facility. The exact nature and category of care accommodation should have been disclosed before Council submitted their notice of intention and should be disclosed before any further action is proposed. I am therefore basing my submission on the assumption that the proposed accommodation will be used to provide accommodation and care for those who do not readily integrate into society, and who may have disruptive tendencies.

I have lived in the Melton South area for approximately 28 years. The City of Melton has been associated with a less than acceptable name for all of that time, and continues to acquire the reputation of a less than ideal living environment. Council should be addressing these concerns, not adding to them.

I strongly believe that this is not an appropriate area to house people who require the services of DHS. The immediate area surrounding the park has finally become a quiet peaceful area to live, with many elderly residents residing here. The proposed building of Community Care Accommodation has already scared many of these residents, myself included, and we are concerned with the repercussions and possible inherent risk to our safety and way of life should this proposal go ahead. We do not need more fear placed in our midst.

A quote from The City of Melton website states "The Melton City Council Safer City Plan 2015-17 provides a guide for Council to continue working with individuals, organisations and the community to identify and address potential community safety issues, ensure that everyone living, working or visiting the municipality can go about their daily pursuits without fear or risk of harm or injury".

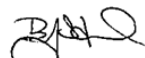
To introduce DHS community care accommodation to this area is in direct contravention of the above terms. It is without doubt that it will disrupt our area and the fear already being experienced by residents I have spoken to about this proposal is paramount.

We need parks and gardens to enhance our environment, and provide areas to enjoy. This particular parcel of land beautifies an otherwise built-up area. It is an area that is deemed green open space and should not be allowed to be re-zoned for any intention. We need to beautify Melton, not detract from its surroundings. People need to be proud of their surroundings and if Council continues to re-zone these areas it will only serve to degrade the beauty of Melton communities.

To re-zone public open space for DHS care accommodation is not in the best interests of our community and, I believe, would be detrimental to property values in this area.

In closing, I am requesting an opportunity to appear in person at a Council meeting in support of my submission.

Yours sincerely



Barbara Herbert
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7 June 2019

Chief Executive Officer
Melton City Council
McDonald Street Melton South Submission
PO Box 21
Melton, Vic 3337

**Re: McDonald Street Melton South Submission**

I write with reference to Melton City Council's intention to use part of the land situated at 3 - 13 McDonald Street Melton South.

This land was originally acquired for the purpose of Public Open Space however I disagree with your choice to use part there of this land for the use of Department of Health Human Services Community Care Accommodation.

For the many reasons that I will outline below I would strongly appeal to you to have these points highly considered.

This land has been used for many decades as a public open-space for children and families to gather in and play. The trees in this parkland are established and are truly beautiful, strong and also provide our birds and wildlife with a safe haven as their homes.

There is nothing like the beautiful sound of magpies and other beautiful birds singing happily away as I walk past this parkland. As a resident in this area I walk past this land daily with my dog and I listen to the birds happily singing in the trees and it brings me much joy and I smile with happiness as these sounds make me feel as though if I am not in suburbia for a while and I love to see and hear this parkland being used for so many purposes that may sadly never be understood by yourselves. Seeing children playing, riding their bikes and creating games happily within this parkland it gives us as residents of this area much happiness and safeness. Please don't ever take this away from us and for the children within our happy community.

Since the opening of the continuation of Brooklyn Road to Abey Road, Manson Drive has since become a thoroughfare for dozens more vehicles each and every day which our once quiet street has become no longer quiet and safe. During peak times especially during the afternoon it feels like it's a major road instead of being a quite suburban street. Our street is no longer a quiet and safe place for children to play in and to congregate and instead of playing within the street area they then go to the parkland in McDonald Street.

With this into consideration the opening of this accommodation facility will also bring more traffic into our street and also once again making it less safe.

Over the past few weeks since your announcement has been made for the consideration of an accommodation facility in McDonald Street I've been speaking with the residents on Manson Drive, McDonald Street, Hunter Street, Excel Street, Sutherland Street and also Fraser Street which are all surrounding streets within McDonald Street. They have expressed their many concerns and are in fact quite saddened and worried of what our community could become.

We have quite a lot of older generation families within our area and all built their homes in and around the late 1960s and early 1970s with the understanding that the above-mentioned parkland was to be always be used as a Parkland and a Playground.

Our residents within this area we are used to the quietness and safe haven of our streets. We look after one another, we are there for one another and to have this accommodation facility put in place this can bring perhaps potentially very rough and unpleasant people into our quiet community and bring a lot of unease and also trouble onto our streets.

With the ever increasing problem of drugs, alcohol, mental issues and gambling within our community we all understand that people with these problems are requiring an accommodation facility to enhance their safety and well-being along with continued assistance for them on a daily basis.

We are all very uncomfortable with your decision to use this land for the purpose of an DHHS Community Care Accommodation as we will have these people walking within our streets during the day and even perhaps during the evenings. We have enough problems on our streets without an accommodation facility put on our doorstep's and with the influx of unpleasant people, people of disrepute, vagrants and along with their visitors, families and their friends. There is always an incredibly high turnover of people and we will always feel vulnerable and exposed.

You state that this land is only going to be part thereof used however we all know that this will just be the start as a small facility and then it will grow larger with more accommodation facilities over the years and we have no chance of having the land which was once a beautiful parkland will be never again.

Residents that live in Manson Drive that their properties back onto this parkland are incredibly vulnerable, extremely concerned and even scared that their privacy and safety is now to be disrupted if this accommodation facility is to be built.

The city of Melton is growing at an incredible speed with new estates popping up everywhere. Driving around our suburbs we notice that there is very little parkland and especially with already established trees and places for children and families to gather and to play. Even for the people who do not use this land in McDonald Street we can walk and even drive past and feel happy and secure seeing greenery, beautiful trees and hearing our beautiful and happy birds and wildlife. If you take this away from us and the birds and wildlife what have we got other than another concrete jungle, more traffic, more people and then bringing more problems within our streets and into our community.

I cannot see the Mayor, counsellors and staff immediately helping us if they were if there be a problem in the future with this accommodation facility to be built. They are not the ones that will feel unsafe and insecure and lose a beautiful and green parkland that is right on their doorstep's. Furthermore in most cases property values decrease when facilities like this are close by. I don't want my property to be devalued because of this facility as I'm sure all the other residents are also concerned about this too. Is Council going to pay the difference on our properties when we sell and even try to sell? Of course not! I'd never get the full value of my home because of this facility. I would never purchase a property with an accommodation facility like this on my doorstep and if I did I'd be pushing to purchase the property by a lower price.

As a Council you are not helping any of us with the planning of building this accommodation facility. You are putting us all at unease and causing us much distress. You are supposed to be making us feel safe, and secure. Sadly this isn't happening and if this accommodation facility is to be built and you are opening a massive can of worms of many problems for us as residents.

Coming from a family of members of our Police force I am forever hearing of problems within these accommodation facilities and problems on our streets from these people. Our Police have had

enough too and they have enough to deal with at an incredibly alarming speed. Their stories frighten me and to know what problems they have to deal with on a daily basis and I really don't want this on my doorstep either.

As another example, in Manson Drive where I live we are a street of many single people living alone and also of older generations and most of which are females. Our homes and our safety are at risk by these troublesome people that will be brought into our neighbourhood.

I will point out that I am all for helping people in need and over my many years I have worked closely with people in need of many types and life situations but there are correct areas for them to live along with incorrect areas to have people with needs to be placed.

These people need to feel safe and also secure however my recommendation is that you build a community care accommodation facility into a new estate and have more of these accommodation facilities built together along with new and more helpful services for them within a closer reach for people that are in need.

More importantly create our McDonald Street Parkland into a vibrant playground for children and families to gather and even perhaps a fenced dog friendly area for our dogs to happily play together and use this land for the reasons that it was originally intended for and for. Our local residents would be happier and more content to see this happen to our beautiful and precious parkland. Or it can be kept in its natural beauty as it currently stands.

You have three choices of what to do with this land; build on it, create a lovely playground in it, or leave it as it is. I know what the residents and our local community want and it's certainly not building on it.

Think of the future generations to come. Where will children and families gather and play If you start to take parklands and playgrounds away.

Trees take decades to grow so lush and strong. Why would you want to cut these trees down? As an important point, we are not allowed to cut our established trees down. One day we will have no trees, no parkland and it will be your children's children and beyond that will say why do we not have anywhere to play and why is there no big beautiful strong established trees around any more?

I hope you take the time to strongly understand and consider my submission along with the many other submissions being presented to yourselves regarding our parkland in McDonald Street, Melton South.

If you would like to discuss this in person with me I am more than happy to speak with you and I can be contacted on 0411 122 134.

Kind regards,


Brenda Golding
23 Manson Drive
Melton South, Vic 3338

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10 June 2019



Attention: Chief Executive Officer
Melton City Council
High Street
Melton 3337

To whom it may concern,

I strongly oppose and I am not in agreement with future plans for the DHHS Housing in the Parkland in McDonald Street Melton South.

These are my concerns;

1. Since Abey Road has been opened Manson Drive has become like Bourke Street with cars speeding through used to be a quiet street. As I have grandchildren who stay with me quite regularly it has become incredibly unsafe for them and they now ride their bikes and go to the park in McDonald Street to play where it is safer to do so.
2. This type of housing that you're planning on building, I am incredibly concerned of what type of people this will bring into the street and the surrounding area. These people and along with their family and visitors could be roaming the streets at any given time and we as residents will have no idea of what their problems are including as an example whether they are violent, drug affected or any one of many problems and what they could they do and what we might have to deal with. This could increase the unsavory activities that a development of this type can sometimes cause and due to this makes me extremely concerned for my safety and also those living in this area. There are many people who live alone in the area who have great concerns for their safety.
3. Sadly any housing of this kind always seems to devalue our properties in the area. I for one would not contemplate buying a property in an area that has this type of housing. Are we going to be compensated for this?
4. We need our established trees for fresher air and we need our parks for future generations.
5. In 1983 my husband and I bought our family home in Manson Drive. With our young children growing the park was a big attraction for us to buy there and now my grandchildren love going to the park and play. My grandchildren absolutely love going up there riding their bikes, playing games and sitting under the trees in the shade and on a lovely day and listening to nature and watching different type of birds.
6. Families want to buy in these areas because of the parks being close by for the use for their children, grandchildren and families to enjoy. And this has become even more important to have the parklands because of ever increasing technology and the need for our children and grandchildren to get outdoors and play in a safe environment.
7. I understand that these types of housing are needed but I feel that they should all be in a specific allocated area.

I hope you will take into consideration all submissions that have been submitted to you from the community in the area and to take into consideration our concerns.

Merryl Aldridge
21 Manson Drive
Melton South 3338.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'M. Aldridge', written over the typed name and address.

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04-06-2019
17 Mc Donald Street,
Melton South 3338

To whom it may concern.
Dear Sir, Madam,

Regarding the notice of intention to use land in the Reserve for another purpose of Public open space, I do not feel a Community Accommodation is suitable in this area. If and when any money available for any project in Melton, it should go towards the Melton Hospital Project. Thank you for the opportunity to submit my opinion.
Yours sincerely

Mrs. Joan Burton

