



On behalf of the  please find attached a letter of support for the Catholic Metropolitan Cemeteries Trust's proposal to establish Wallacia Memorial Park.

We hope that Penrith City Council will provide its support for the proposal.

Kind regards,



13 February 2018



**DA: 17/1092**

Dear Assessing Officer,

**Wallacia Memorial Park**

We write in support of the Catholic Metropolitan Cemeteries Trust's proposal to establish Wallacia Memorial Park to provide much needed cemetery space in western Sydney. The proposal will see the current golf course retained, with the clubhouse being significantly refurbished, as well as providing community facilities.

The provision of adequate burial space is an ongoing issue amongst many in the community, especially those who are in the older age demographic and wish to receive a full burial in accordance with their beliefs and/or preference.

There has been significant population growth in western Sydney across communities from many religious and cultural backgrounds including the Italian community, and with that comes greater needs for essential infrastructure including cemeteries.

It is critical that cemetery land allocation and development be given priority, to provide assurance and comfort to our community members that affordable and attractive burial options will be available for them into the future.

We believe the proposal for the Wallacia Memorial Park development will provide much needed burial space for the Italian community and enhance the current facilities while also protecting the rural aspect of the Wallacia area. It will also provide local jobs, as well as public recreational space that all in the community will be able to use.

We respectfully request that the proposal receive your most favourable consideration.

