

DA 17/1092

Dear Assessing Officer

*I write in support of the proposal put before the council of the City of Penrith by the Catholic Metropolitan Cemeteries Trusts for the use of land at the Wallacia golf club for a multi denominational cemetery and open space facilities to the public in Western Sydney.*

*The growth of south western and western Sydney over the past 5 years and the many multi-cultural communities has been noticed by the many types of funerals [REDACTED] for these communities who are from many religious backgrounds and are very sensitive to the final life rights of their loved ones.*

*With the larger growth in population and housing comes the needs for schools, hospitals, shopping centres and places of worship.*

*There also becomes a need for burial space for the people living in such communities.*

*The largest cemetery in the southern hemisphere located at Rookwood about 30 minutes drive from the CBD of Sydney is vast becoming full along with cemeteries in western Sydney such as Pinegrove, St Marys and the Penrith General Cemetery, Liverpool Cemetery and in the last few years the noticeable increase in burials at Kemps Creek Cemetery.*



*The need for another cemetery in the Penrith LGA supporting the people of western Sydney is most definitely needed, as I mentioned earlier the population is growing and moving west and south west not mention the many nationalities who have moved in that direction for affordable housing and jobs.*

*The Wallacia memorial park would not only ease the burden of burial space to the community also offering affordable burial and memorialisation creating the peaceful surrounds when visiting their loved ones.*

*I am also encouraged by the modern chapel facilities which will be made available and the open parkland space and golf course. The whole design is unique and for those grieving the loss of loved ones presents peaceful surrounds.*

*The project will create jobs for the local community especially apprenticeships in landscaping, catering and many other jobs associated with the funeral industry.*

*I urge council to consider this proposal as it eases the long-term burden for burial and memorial needs for the community not to mention the jobs it will create for the growing population.*

*I am happy to discuss any questions you may have regarding this letter*

