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To whom it may concern

problems with this site becoming a cemetery. I have waited to write this letter so I could get as much information and not just jump to any conclusion on whether this is a good or bad thing for Wallacia and its residents. I have lived in Wallacia for 30 years gone to school here and bought my own home and raising my family here, and couldn't imagine living anywhere else. My husband and I bought our house about 5 years ago and one of the main factors was the view of the golf course. We have 2 children who regularly play out on the golf course when golfers are not about and this is just about the only safe place in Wallacia where kids can play without having to worry about broken bottles or cars and I don't think any parent would be comfortable with their kids playing in a cemetery.

Our property is classed as a flood zone. Because of this, we are not even able to put a toilet in our shed but they wish to bury bodies. When these bodies decay the contaminated water which is now Jerrys creek flows directly into the Nepean river also where mine and lots of other kids love to swim. They say that the flood levels aren't a concern but less then 12 months ago the flood levels did get high enough to block Mulgoa Rd, Silverdale rd and Greendale rd leaving only Park road having access of which was very close to being blocked as well which leaves everyone in wallacia stranded until flood levels go down Like many of their studies they are not accurate and obviously not looked into it as thorough as they claim. Flood insurance on our home is over \$4,000 p/a. because of this but in their study the floodline is different then the insurance companies. I would like to know who is wrong and would be asking for compensation if it is the insurance company.

Traffic in Wallacia is already a problem with the new subdivision in here and with all the new houses going into Silverdale and Warragamba it is only going to get worse being the main access to both suburbs is a 2 way road going through Wallacia and if there is an incident on silverdale rd then traffic is backed up for kilometres past both my house and past the golf course on Park Rd. Another thing their study say would not increase traffic significantly. They say an average funeral has 6 cars. Im not sure who they are burying but I have been to funerals where their has been hundreds of cars and Wallacia Roads would not cope with that at anytime of the day let

alone when school starts or finishes being a Primary school across the road.

Wallacia is a relatively small village and the size of this planned cemetery is ridiculous and right in the centre of town. It would be about half the size of Wallacia itself. Wallacia would be known only for a massive cemetery and I don't know anyone here that wants their town known like that.

I have been told to be prepared to lose at least 20% of my property value and thats if I'm lucky. That money will be coming straight off my intended retirement funds which is a pretty big hit for anyone who is trying to set their family up for the future. If any of my other neighbours wished to build anything that would affect my property like this they would be required to speak to me and ask for my approval to move ahead. I am still yet to hear from anyone from the church.

This is clearly just a cheap option for the church and only care about how much money they can make off this. Being a not for profit I think that is disgusting and their values definitely aren't in the right place.

A couple of other reasons why this is a terrible idea are:

-Wildlife

Their are numerous animals like kangaroos and birds and bats living on the property that would be directly affected. I have recently heard of a platypus population just been found in the river right near jerrys creek which I'm sure would be affected by the contaminated water.

-Due Course

How this property was acquired by the church some questions should defiantly be asked. The sale from Panthers to a developer should not of happened especially at the price they got it for and then a quick turn around to the church with a CEO who is known for corruption and paying people off.

At the end the day I could keep going on but there are so many better places to put something like this. I understand that people still want to be buried and that is their choice but cemeteries are a billion dollar industry and putting the churches money before the people of Wallacia is a disgrace and they should be ashamed of themselves.

I hope you make the right decision and dont put an end to our quite little village.