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Subject: Proposed Cemetery Wallacia
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Dear Planning Commission

I would like to ask you to consider the objections I have toward this development. I am a resident that lives directly opposite the entry to the cemetery. I have spent considerable amounts of money in the last few years to go through the process of having my property approved as a horse training facility, as part of that I have also spent considerable amounts on infrastructure to support this business.

The changes to Park Road due to the proposed entry to the cemetery being opposite both my arena, and entry to my property. Will mean that the horse vehicles entering the property will be restricted, and for anyone heading east, it will require horse floats and trucks to head west then return to an easterly direction via a roundabout, which isn't really designed for this purpose. Our small residential streets, are not suitable for large horse vehicles to turn around in, this is endangering other residents. The animals themselves are put in greater danger due to the lack of suitability of options in regards to being able to manoeuvre large vehicles in a safe manner. The position of my arena being opposite the proposed entry way, will not be conducive to training horses, and my fear is the many different ways people visiting this cemetery grieve and the way in which voice this grief will disturb horses being trained, but also peace that this small village experiences.

Cemetery's are known to decrease the value of property if they are in the vicinity. My investment will be reduced significantly and there will be no compensation or benefits received by having this facility in our community, whilst if the remaining golf course remains, our property values, will continue to grow. It is part of the reason we bought in the area. Particularly when there are other sites available to Catholic Metropolitan Cemetery Trust, it seems disappointing that you are not taking the advice of our council, and taking up the offer of other locations. Even more disappointing is the fact that our local community Leagues Club, has manipulated a situation where they are not taking their community into consideration, and have taken a golf course that was gifted to our community many years ago, and have sold that off to make a financial gain. Whilst they are in profit, and as a not for profit, there is no reason as to why they can not invest in this community facility instead of selling it for a use for which it was never intended.

I am fully aware that the land surrounding Wallacia, will significantly change in coming years, however, it is asked that this change is done in a manner which is respectful to the residents and the community who live here. We do not wish to be the dumping ground for those living closer to the city. Our green space is just as important to us, and removing that for the future generations – just because it seems like we have an excess at the moment is not responsible planning. Due to the proposed location you are also severely restricting how our township grows. No planner ever has placed a cemetery at the centre of a town. This is not the right development for our area, there are other options available, and you are in a position to ensure that this development is placed correctly. Wallacia Golf Course is not the correct place for a cemetery.

Thank you for taking the time to consider my thoughts, I also hope you understand that this small community does not wish to have a cemetery as part of it.

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