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NOTICE OF SUBMISSION NUNWEEK PARK

PROPOSED LEASE to the CANTERBURY ARTIFICIAL SURFACES TRUST FOR THIRD HOCKEY TURF

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To

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As the Council is proposing to grant a ground lease to The Canterbury Artificial Surfaces Trust over part of Nunweek Park to allow for the construction of a Third Lit Artificial Turf I now wish to lodge my Submission in opposition to this with my reasons set out below.

SUBMISSION DETAILS - as a concerned resident:-

- 1. Allowing a Third Artificial Turf would **contravene** the Parks and Reserves Act. A Public Park is for everyones use.
- 2. Noise and light interference when the hockey fields are in use at night.
- 3. Traffic Wooldridge Road is a busy road with high volumes of traffic at times but when sporting activities are on this causes serious conjection through lack of safe car parking. **Insufficient** Car Parking exists on Wooldridge Road.
- 4. Visual Impact of a 2.4 m high metal fence and 8 x 18m lighting poles along Wooldridge Road does not enhance the area. A park/reserve needs a set-back with trees to create a Buffer Zone which currently exists and should remain.
- 5. Water runoff from the 2 Existing Artificial Surfaces is currently a problem in the sealed car park area and a third Surface will increase the problem.
- 6. I strongly oppose the removal of 20 well established trees.

SUMMING UP

I have resided in Wooldridge Road since 1984 and my main reason to move here was so I could live opposite a Park (Nunweek Park). Over the years I have been constantly reminded how beautiful and special it is to live across the road from this Park, with its large lush green trees and open green space which is appreciated and used by many locals, visitors, tourists and sports groups at all times of the year.

To totally close off the southern end of Nunweek Park with metal fencing for a proposed Third Hockey Turf right to the roadside for Hockey use only would be **contrary** to what the use of a park is for - **everyones use.**

A park needs a treelined boundary to enhance its streetscape. Removal of 20 well grown trees would have a devasting effect on what is a good green space and should remain so. I totally oppose the removal of 20 trees from Nunweek Park.

Roadside Car Parking on Wooldridge Road is a serious problem during sports days and cannot cater for this safely any longer. The Christchurch City Council need to address this matter urgently before a member of the public is seriously injured or killed. Canterbury Hockey propose to add more car parks? to the sealed car park but at the same time many car parking spaces on Wooldridge Road roadside will be lost because of the new proposed Hockey fencing and footpath.

During a busy sports day I cannot exit my gateway by car safely and see down both sides of Wooldridge Road because of a large number of cars parked on both sides of the roadside. Lack of car parking encourages people to encroach very close to gateways on Wooldridge Road which makes exiting properties very dangerous.

I **oppose** the application for a lease for additional area of Nunweek Park to Canterbury Hockey and to construct another fenced artificial surface playing field.

YES I wish to be heard on my SUBMISSION.

Yours faithfully,

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