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Notice Of Submission Nunweek Park

Proposed Lease to the Canterbury Artificial Surfaces Trust

For Third Hockey Locked Compound

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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 fenced and locked hockey compound, I wish to lodge my Submission which is strongly against this proposal.

Submission Details – from a Concerned Resident

1. The visual impact of a 2.4 metre high fence and the 18 metre high lighting towers right on the roadside boundary will, if allowed, negatively change Nunweek Park's open landscape.
2. The proposed fenced and locked compound would completely block the south end access to Nunweek Park. This would force park users from the south end, to walk the length of the hockey fenced area along the proposed footpath dangerously close to vehicle traffic on Wooldridge Road.
3. Car parking along Wooldridge Road for sports users is a serious issue and has been brought to Councillors attention but has never been addressed. The proposed new footpath and the new planting design between the mesh fence and roadway would eliminate a large area of car parking where cars do currently park. The loss of this car parking would far exceed the 15 new car parks mentioned in the proposal to go in the sealed car park.

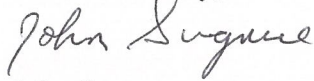
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4. I oppose the removal of 20 of well established trees. Plans for the new planting design along the proposed Hockey compound fence line would not camouflange the obtrusive large lighting towers and 2.4 metre mesh fence adjacent to roadway and Park boundary.
5. Canterbury Hockey already has sole use of a sizeable piece of Nunweek Park as well as use of several grass playing fields. Plans for a future major Hockey development for Christchurch mentioned by Hockey representatives at our park meeting on 12 December 2011 should be brought forward to cater for the future needs of hockey in a situation more appropriate for expansion.

I oppose the application for a lease for additional area of Nunweek Park to Canterbury Hockey for the construction of another locked fenced Hockey compound.

I wish to be heard on my submission.

Yours faithfully,



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