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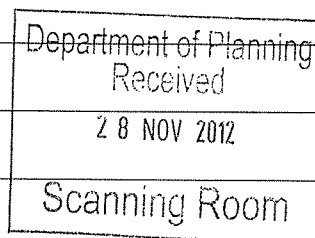
1 Cartwright St.

MYOLA NSW 2540

Re: Submission for Shaolin Temple

Application: Integrated Tourist & Residential Devel,
Comberton Grange, Nowra.

No: 06 - 0135



Attn: Sally Munk

I would like to state my overall support for the development by Shaolin Temple at Comberton Grange, Nowra. However, as a local resident, and neighbour to the development, I have a number of specific concerns around environmental & local impact, overdevelopment & accessibility.

Impact on Currumbene Creek

My main concern is the impact of such a large development on our much loved creek. Specifically the effects of erosion, runoff, pesticides & fertilizers (especially used on golf courses) on our water quality. Currumbene Creek currently has fantastic water quality & an abundance of sea birds & marine life. This is why we choose to live here.

Another key issue in Myola is risk of flooding. We have seen our insurance premium skyrocket this year by as much as five times or more from

previous levels. What happens upstream has an impact downstream, especially on the village of Myola. I am also very concerned about increased traffic on the creek, which is also eroding our river/creek banks. The environmental assessment submitted to council does not address water traffic nor state how water access may be used.

Local impact

I have seen similar developments to this proposal overseas. I am concerned these developments are primarily closed systems with little or no impact on local services. I am concerned about duplication of local services rather than a tourism benefit to the area. i.e. the safari tent accommodation is a direct copy of Paperbark camp accommodation across the creek, I am concerned in house boat trips may replicate huskisson dolphin & whale watching boats rather than provide new customers to existing services. As you know, domestic tourism is down & we have great local services that can meet increasing tourism demand.

Overdevelopment

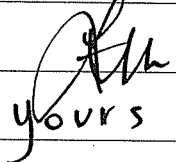
The Nan Tien Temple in Wollongong is a fantastic example of how such a development can enhance

an area. It however, has a lesser footprint to these plans. A beautiful temple, gardens, modest pilgrim lodge & cafés all are an attribute to the south coast. I am concerned about the scale of this development. I am also concerned about accessibility for locals.

Nan Tien is very accessible. This seems much more high end golf resort than temple. I think we need assurance that locals are welcome too.

Despite these concerns, I think a temple development could be a great neighbour & attribute to the south coast. I welcome the increasing diversity & services. I would just like further clarification on the issues I raised above.

Please note: I have never made a political donation.


yours sincerely,
Leighan Kerr

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