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Objection to MPO6 0309 MOD3
Johnston Property Group to Proposed Helipad in Bardens
Bay in Lake Macquarie @ Trinity Point. Morisset Park

Dear Sirs or Madam,

This Helipad was not approved for any
helipad on any surface of Lake Macquarie by Lake
Macquarie Council when approval was given for the
Trinity Point Development was originally approved:-

Council wanted to keep this PRISTINE Lake for
recreational swimming, boating and fishing for
people to enjoy. This area is habitat to many
PROTECTED VULNERABLE species such as BLACK SWANS,
OSPREY, WHITE-BELLIED SEA EAGLE, DUCKS & PELICANS.

The Modification is not consistent with concept plan.

This application should not be considered as a modification
as it is a new development to the marina. The transitional
arrangements for modification to a part 3A concept plan
states that the modification application must be generally
consistent with the provisions of the concept plan approval.

The modification plan submitted by Johnston Property Group
to include a helipad out on Lake Macquarie water at
Bardens Bay bears no resemblance to the operation
for a marina.

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The approved marina concept Plan is for berthing up to 188 boats. The helipad application states that 38 Helicopter landings & take-offs are for transporting tourists. This Johnson Property Group modification application is vastly inconsistent with the approved marina operations. Most importantly, the impact to 7000 to 9000 residents in the existing communities of Brightwater, Bonnels Bay, Winclemere Park, Balwyn, Kendall Yrange, Missabooka, Silverwater, Summerland Point, Wyee Point, Morisset Park & Trinity Point. It will be seriously affected by this application and must be considered as a NEW DEVELOPMENT.

Ron Martin
27 BUTTABA Road
Brightwater

P.S. I have enclosed 3 letters from latest
Local our concerns are NO HELIPAD.

HELIPAD NOT COMPATIBLE

I HAVE no problems with development, as such, so long as it is sympathetic to the environment and compatible with the wishes of the local community.

However, the provision of a helipad attached to the Johnston Property Group's Trinity Point marina will mean helicopters will be clattering over our houses while circling to land eight times a day if their latest application is approved.

We will have to suffer their exhaust pollution and 60 kilometre rotor downwash which will disrupt our lifestyles and upset small craft and any loose items on boats and marina walkways.

The effect on birdlife would also be considerable.

The developers have already had an impact on roosting sites for several endangered species and helicopters will further threaten their existence.

Obviously, helicopters would not be sympathetic to the environment. Now the community needs to make their wishes known.

To have your say write to: The Department of Planning and Environment, GPO Box 39, SYDNEY NSW 2001, quoting: MP 06_0309 MOD 3 before December 18, 2016.

- **George Aungle, Morisset Park**

NOISE SIMPLY INTOLERABLE

I READ with great interest the article on the continuing debacle of Johnson Property Group trying to obtain approval for the establishment of a helipad at Morisset Park.

It was stated that some residents have "got it wrong" ("Chopper change", *Lakes Mail*, November 24) about the helipad.

Some people may have been confused, but setting these non issues aside, for me, the key facts are the developer wishes to have a helipad. If approved it will make intolerable noise over the lake where families are currently enjoying peace and tranquility.

The developer says only four flights in and four flights out, but they don't state the dura-

tion of each flight. So if each flight takes two hours, then we could, under this proposal, have helicopters flying eight hours per day, more in daylight hours.

Remember, the air space over Lake Macquarie is unrestricted.

The developer does not say how he will manage the safety zone. So imagine, if you or your child is in the water in the general area of the helipad at the time of landing, how will on-water activities be policed?

If the helipad is approved, will the developer's first variations after approval be to seek permission to lock off additional areas of our lake as they are unable to ensure our safety?

The developer has made no mention of where the helicopter would land in an emergency situation.

In dealing with developers it is always best to think outside the square as they are profit-driven, not community-driven, and the profit comes from not what they do, but from what they get away with.

- **Mike Doherty, Morisset Park**

HELIPAD PLAN 'LUDICROUS'

THERE are many valid arguments against the ludicrous proposal for building a helipad in the middle of Bardens Bay, at Trinity Point, for the benefit of a handful of people, such as the impact on recreational users; the impact on birdlife; and the noise which will be intrusive no matter what guidelines are followed.

One hidden effect is on property values which, until now, has just been hearsay. In my area there are three houses for sale all facing the marina and proposed helipad.

Despite dropping their price they have not sold. One vendor has informed me that the feedback from their agent and prospective buyers was that they are concerned about the future noise levels.

It is well known that properties under flight paths are subjected to loss of value and loss of buyers.

If you live within a radius of 2 kilometres from the proposed helipad be assured your property values will drop.

- **David Whyte, Brightwaters**