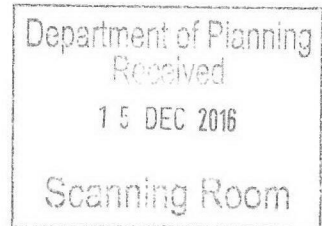


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The Director

Modification Assessments

NSW Department of Planning and Environment
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Trinity Point (Modification to Mixed Use Marina / tourist / residential (Concept Plan) (06 0309 MOD3)

Dear Sir / Madam

'Peace and quiet' are the cherished attributes which many families and institutions have intentionally sought when making South Lake Macquarie home.

Compatibility between the current amenity and the proposed helipad / helicopter flights is obviously impossible due to: 1. Noise 2. Safety considerations.

(There is no guarantee additional flights may^{not} be sought at a future date.)

1. Noise

Potentially Affected Communities:

- Banders Bay - its wildlife, especially water birds, the 24/7 residential community and families

enjoying low-key water activities

- Brightwaters Christian College - the pupils' education will be compromised
- Morisset Hospital - vulnerable people and staff will be disturbed
- The State Conservation Area - wildlife habitat and the peace of walkers and cyclists will be impacted.
- Ambleside Retirement Village - quiet retirement will be a thing of the past
- The Wider Community

Lake Macquarie City's Lifestyle 2030 Strategy's Vision and Core Values essentially support residents' quality of life. The well-being of some 7,000 households is at stake. In 2014 the Council supported a City-wide ban on helipads.

The Acoustic Report does not record findings for landings and take offs on and from a helipad situated on water.

Noise is amplified & carried on & over water.

This omission alone renders the Acoustic Report null and void.

2. Safety

Temporary Exclusion Zone

'Temporary' is unacceptable. Watercraft require certainty for safety. There will be no timetable of aircraft movements.

Plans to clear the zone are ad hoc and haphazard, ie hazardous. They would result in prolonged noise and safety issues.

Lake Macquarie's Changeable Weather

The Lake is notorious for regular and abrupt weather changes and wind directions.

There could be no guarantee that numbers of pilots flying for multiple operators would be satisfactorily conversant with the vagaries of the weather so as to meet safety and fly neighbourly requirements.

Win - Win Solution

A Win - Win solution is clearly obvious.

Lake Macquarie Airport at Pelican can offer a safe small plane / helicopter facility in conjunction with Trinity Point.

A scenic boat transfer would be an attractive and fast package.

It may even provide a local job or two when employment at the Resort appears scarce.

This simple solution would improve relationships between Trinity Point and the surrounding community and between the community and Local and State Governments.

I have never donated to any political party.

Yours faithfully
