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If the gymnasium was to be retained there will be considerable costs involved in keeping the facility operational. The UTS should ensure the ongoing operation of the gymnasium is financially feasible taking into account the future costs involved in keeping the facility open to the public.

The retention of the gymnasium should not be further off set against the Council's required development contributions for the re use of the site.

The traffic and parking implications of retaining the gymnasium should be assessed, as it could be perceived as a further intensification of uses on site when compared to the approved concept plan.

The open space and other community and recreational facilities on site should continue to be made available for community use.

Ku-ring-gai Council will be seeking to ensure that fair and appropriate level of development contributions is provided to cater for the additional residents and other users that will create additional demand on our local community, recreational and transport infrastructure.

To assist in understanding and providing further input into this proposal the UTS should provide information on the ownership and future site management of the existing educational facility and associated recreational and community facilities.

Council appreciates your early consultation on this matter. Ku-ring-gai Council will be pleased to meet and discus this matter when your organisation has more details on the proposed ownership, potential users and management of the site

If you wish to discuss any aspect of this submission further please contact Andrew Watson, Director Strategy & Environment on 9424 0817.

Regards,

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