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Hi Simon,

My name is Hong Wei Chen, used to work in the Crowle home many years ago. Currently some of my friends are still work there and they are all senior people been working in the place more than 15 years.

the Crowle Home site was donated by some parenets and warm-hearted people to supply permanent place for the dis-telligent people and it is unsale-able.

The current Crowle Home management ignore all the conditions of the site and try to sell it for profit which is very shame and wrong decision.

If they sale the site, our friends will lose their job and the oppounity they can find similar job are rarely as they all old and don't have much other skills.

Please consider the situation and disapprove their application.

Kindly regards

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Dear Mr Haddad,

**Submission Objecting to MP10 \_ 0110 – Achieve Australia Concept Plan  
74-76 Belmore Street, Ryde**

### **Introduction**

I refer to the Environmental Assessment (“EA”) submitted to the NSW Department of Planning and Infrastructure (“the Department”) by Achieve Australia Pty Ltd seeking approval under the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979 (“the Act”) for a Concept Plan (“the Project”) for the Site known as 74-76 Belmore Street, Meadowbank (“the Site”).

I writing this submission objecting to the proposed Project

### **Background**

**My name is Mr Kelly Crowle and I am the eldest grandchild of Mr W A Crowle whose generous philanthropic gesture of 5000 pounds in July 1944 led to the purchase of the 16000sq met at 74-76 Belmore Rd . The money also allowed for alterations to the home and the building of a large hall. The property became known as Once Upon A Time - A Home for Delinquent Boys, these boys were often sent by the courts to the Crowle Home as an alternative to jail. My Grandfather believed that there was good in everybody and**

he personally spent many hours with the boys and encouraging them with stories of his own success which began in Albury with a limited schooling to becoming fascinated by everything that the first half of the 20<sup>th</sup> century produced –cars- motor bikes- photography-refrigeration- art and history. He travelled over seas on business and pleasure more than 27 times and always by boat.

He understood change and creativity and would have understood and been cheered that his trustees ( my uncle Cecil Crowle and Lorna Crowle) who shortly after Grandfather's death found a needy and very deserving organisation then known as the Sub-Normal Childrens Welfare Association. They were disadvantaged and they still are and my grandfather while he would acknowledge that while this land he originally endowed could be better utilised he would be devastated that these attempts to release some monetary value are so poorly executed that there has been great distress among many very fine old people who deserve the respect and honor of us all.

These families have supported and worked diligently with the Crowle Home, some of them for 40years and their children have been residents of the Crowle Home for a life time –others are interned with my Grandfather in the Memorial Garden. They should not be subject to confusion and stress and in this large development there is plenty of room to give them a safe and joyous life for as long as it takes.

They may expect change but not unkind upheaval and uncertainty .These are wonderful people who should be cared for and assisted rather forced down the path of opposition. There is enough in this development for everyone but Achieve Australia must find room for the requirements of these totally unselfish , caring people and their children who have thrived in the Crowle home . If any of the creators of this confusion have ever been spontaneously hugged by one of these children then the only question you can ask is how can I help these children.

Achieve Australia JUST DO IT Change your plan you can do it and make some real heroes happy.

Don't be Destroyers be Achievers make William Alfred Leopold Crowle legacy's of belief that there is good in all of us a reality

Signed Kelly David Crowle (Grandson )

**Objections**

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**Social Impact Assessment issues****Planning Assessment Issues****Conclusion**

Yours sincerely

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SUBMISSION OBJECTING TO MP10\_0110 - Achieve Australia Concept Plan

Dear Mr Haddad,

I wish to object in the strongest possible terms to the proposed development of 470 apartments on the land at 74-76 Belmore Street, Ryde by the NGO known as Achieve Australia. My objection is based on the Social Impact that this development will have on the residents of what is known as "Crowle Home" and the impact it will have on a far wider community of people with an intellectual disability in the Ryde area for generations to come.

The Legislation

Under 8.1 of the SIA is written

*Current disability policy and legislation supports the principal that people with disability should, as far as possible, live in and be part of the community rather than live in institutional care.*

While we would agree that we would wish people with disability to be part of our community, there are a number of ways in which this may be realized. Achieve Australia's rhetoric would have you believe that *relocating the residents to more appropriate community housing* is the only way this may happen. In fact, across Australia, a number of disability providers and a very great number of families are questioning the efficacy of the group home model for our most vulnerable people. Many projects are planned, in progress or completed that are interpreting the concept of devolution in terms of redevelopment.

In NSW, the disability department, ADHC, has recently devolved on site the sixty bed Lachlan Centre at North Ryde. Ten modern homes, purpose-built and environmentally correct, house sixty high support clients in the grounds of Macquarie Hospital. At Summer Hill, the Grosvenor Centre has been redeveloped on site to provide a twenty-bed complex for high care clients. The Peat Island facility, part of Hunter Residences, has recently opened its new one hundred bed aged care facility for people with an intellectual disability, while another twenty-bed cluster was purpose built to house the remaining Peat Island clients not yet ready for aged care.

The same department is planning the devolution on site of Kanagra, at Morisset, a facility that houses eighty-five people, while both the Marsden Centre at Westmead, housing one hundred and seventy-five people and the Rydalmere Centre, with one hundred and eighty people are being discussed in terms of devolution/development on site. At the Stockton Centre, in the Hunter, four hundred and fifty residents live in an idyllic setting and the department is working with families to allow them to remain on site in improved accommodation. It is starting to be understood that high support clients who have lived in the

one place for a long time and developed friendships and routines may be better off within their own environment but with upgraded facilities.

All the aforementioned facilities are government run. However, in South Australia, Minda closely parallels Crowle Home. Bequeathed to people with a disability in 1898, it is a not-for-profit organization that provides services to fifteen hundred people, five hundred of them in their residential area. Two hundred and fifty people live on a twenty-eight hectare site at Brighton, which is to undergo a two hundred million dollar redevelopment to make a "vibrant urban village". This development is designed to "maximise choice and inclusion for people with intellectual disability to achieve their aspirations." Two other South Australian NGO's, Orana and Bedford, are similar in size and age to Crowle Home and both have built cluster-style accommodation on their land in order to deliver what they see as more appropriate and responsive homes for their clients.

It is important for you to understand that there is no legislative imperative for the people with disability to be moved from the campus at Belmore Street and relocated in the community. Inclusion is equally about people "going out" and people "coming in." A well-designed project with an attractive street frontage and absence of walls will welcome inclusion and integration, regardless of its address. As long as access is not restricted, the public is invited in and the clients are taken out, then they are living in and being part of the community and fulfilling the terms of devolution.

It is not being suggested that the current facilities at Crowle Home are adequate or appropriate for the people who live there. The hope and desire of the vast and overwhelming majority of the Crowle families and friends is that modern, purpose-built housing may be constructed on site so that the ageing clients who have lived there for decades may remain in their familiar surroundings, with their friends and long term staff.

### The Background

The property at 74-76 Belmore Street was bequeathed to a group of families with disabled children in the early 1950's by W. A. Crowle, a philanthropist who had previously used the property for young men leaving corrective services. The families worked tirelessly to build a school, then a boarding school which became a residence and also a workshop. In the days before government funding, they paid large amounts to attend Crowle, then maintained buildings, gardened and fundraised in their spare time. An opportunity shop supplied funds for a hall and an indoor heated pool. The numbers swelled as Crowle Home became the pioneer provider in the Ryde area and the yardstick by which other providers were measured.

Crowle was always distinguished by its high level of family and community involvement. Volunteers ran camps, sporting activities, discos, sewing classes, swimming training and music therapy. Men ran "father's days" when the buildings and grounds were maintained. The level of care was unsurpassed, the meals were carefully planned and nutritious, the programmes for each person were individualized and responsive. The ethos at Crowle was that each family looked out for not only their own family member but everyone else's too. The staff came and stayed, often for decades. Clients who went home with their families for weekends invariably asked to return to Crowle before the stay was over.

I came to Crowle in 1995 when my disabled son joined the workshop. It was a flourishing community and I hoped that one day my son would be permitted to live there. I joined the Board of Crowle in 1999, at the time that it was starting to experience financial problems. These were brought about by inadequate funding from the government and the increasing level of support needed by the ageing clients. When it was suggested by the Board in 2006 that the Crowle land be sold to ease financial pressures, I resigned to poll the Crowle members.

Early in 2007, with three other concerned citizens, I contacted the vast majority of the two hundred and fifty Crowle members. We spoke to every member except the families of the Board and a few very elderly people. Everyone, with no exception, was opposed to the sale of the Crowle land or its development,

other than for the exclusive use of the people with disability. Moreover, the members were shocked and outraged by the suggestion. We asked, if there was no alternative, would consent be given to the sale of the rear (south) portion of the land to finance modern facilities for the clients on the remaining section of the land. Reluctantly, the majority of the members agreed to this proposal, although a minority would not consider even this.

The voice of the members prohibited the sale of the land but did not solve the financial problems. The Board considered a merger and in 2008, it was announced that it was to be, with the members approval, with Hornsby Challenge, recently renamed Achieve. Members feared that if they did not vote "yes" their services would be lost and their disabled sons and daughters would have nowhere to live, work or go during the day. They did not understand that, as government funded clients, their family members are guaranteed continuity of service. Last year, we watched as Sydney's largest disability employment service got into financial difficulties. The disability department stepped in with interim funding until a large interstate NGO could be found to take it over. Not one person lost his or her job.

However, convinced that their services were in jeopardy, the members voted for the merger. They believed that the memberships that they had to renounce so that it would be a merger of equals (Achieve had fourteen members and Crowle over two hundred) would be reinstated after a settling in period. They also believed that all decisions made previously by both Boards would be upheld by the Board of the new merged entity. A recent decision of the Crowle Board was to sell the rear third of the land to release funds to build a retirement village on site for its ageing clients. There was no mention or suggestion of moving clients offsite or of large scale development.

Three years on, not one Crowle member has had membership reinstated. No family member of any person receiving a service from what was originally Crowle has a place on the Achieve board. What was believed to be a merger has been a total takeover. Should this proposed development be given approval, it will be demonstrably contrary to the wishes of the Crowle members, those hard working families and friends who built the service from scratch.

### The Present

The proposed development can proceed only if we as a community can be convinced that the care delivered in community housing is at least as good as that provided at Crowle Home. It is unthinkable that our most vulnerable citizens could be evicted from their home of forty or fifty years and placed in accommodation settings of poorer standard or with less responsiveness to their needs. It is unthinkable that we as a community would condone the dispersal of the legacy to people with a disability if it did not bring those people measureable gains.

Many of the families of Crowle Home residents are almost as vulnerable as the people with disability. Many have very aged parents and many have deceased parents. Sometimes a sibling is geographically isolated or little involved, while in other cases, there is no sibling. I wish to recount the following story, which I have permission to use:

Jack (not his real name) is sixty-two. He had lived at Crowle for forty years and was very happy. When he went home for holidays, he used to ask to be returned to his friends at Crowle after only a day or two. He particularly enjoyed the indoor heated swimming pool and he used to swim most days of his life.

Jack's eighty-four year old mother was called to a meeting with Achieve Australia. At the meeting, she understood the inevitability of the closure of Crowle as a service, that most other families had agreed to allow their person to move out and of the advantages of community living. Believing there was no alternative, Jack's mother gave her approval. Her son moved from Crowle in January, 2011, to a house in Carlingford. He moved with two other Crowle residents who were not of his choosing and who were not compatible with him.

Jack's mother lives two hundred kilometres north of Sydney, but, always highly involved in Jack's life, she



travelled down regularly by public transport to visit him. At the suggestion of a staff member, she brought a small mattress and slept in her son's room on a number of occasions. She was able to gain an insight into the workings of the household and what she saw filled her with horror. She had believed that Jack would be returned to his day program, but this had not occurred. Jack sat in the same chair from morning till night, his only regular activity a weekly shopping trip. Jack's mother came to the opinion that Jack was not being cared for as well as she had expected.

Jack's mother complained to management. She was unhappy with the response she received and felt she had no choice but to remove her son from the house and take him home. Now she is faced with the prospect of caring for Jack's increasing needs in her old age. ( While the disability department would not condone the closure of an entire service, a single client has no individual or portable funding and the decision to withdraw from a block-funded NGO means that you are back on a very long waiting list.) Jack's only sibling lives overseas. However, this brave mother is taking up the challenge, believing she was permitted to live long so as to be there for Jack in his hour of need.

Jack is the lucky one. He has a mother who is alive and well enough to intervene. Many of the other clients have no one to advocate for them and their stories do not come to light. However, I believe that Jack's story is no exception.

What I have outlined is described as "increased community inclusion.( 8.1 of SIA.) It is called "developing a mix of supports to provide enhanced outcomes in a number of areas." (8.1) Achieve guarantees at 7.16.1 "that accessibility for families to their family member will be enhanced through supported accommodation being provided in a home setting". It also guarantees at 7.16.1 "that the level of care in supported accommodation in a community home will be of a higher and more individualized level of care than that which can be provided at Crowle. " And from the same place "that supported accommodation in a community living model will be better able to meet the individual's needs and aspirations in regards to social inclusion".

In my opinion, the gulf between the rhetoric and the reality is a yawning chasm. "Higher and more individualized level of care" presupposes a trained and experienced workforce. "Increased community inclusion" presupposes access through vehicles. "Social inclusion" is an emotive term that is not met if people with a disability are dispersed and living lonely and forgotten lives. Having regard to stories like Jack's, the approval of this development will, I believe, force the remaining residents of Crowle and also many residents who have already been dislocated from Crowle into a state of permanent diaspora.

### The Social Impact Assessment

There are a number of issues raised in this document that must be questioned and challenged.

The proposed development will "address an identified need for accommodation and support services for people with disability currently significantly undersupplied throughout the Sydney region." page 2. It is undeniable that there is a huge backlog of unmet need in regards to support services for people with a disability. However, accommodation is superfluous without the recurrent funding it takes to supply support services. There is already an oversupply of disability accommodation throughout the state: there are empty places which the disability department cannot afford to recurrently fund. There is such a one in North Road, Ryde, where a purpose-built eight bedroom facility sits vacant for want of funding to run it. Will Achieve Australia be supplying recurrent funding from the profit made by the development? Will it be creating any new places for people who do not have a support service? Will it simply be moving ageing people already in its care from their long term home into a community setting? Or will any expansion of its service will be dependent upon its ability to win government tenders?

"By moving (the day program) away the Crowle House site, the organization will be better able to provide vocationally oriented programs" Page 2. However, the clients who use the day program are our most severely dependent people. They have already been assessed as unsuitable for placement in supported employment. The families using the day program are concerned that the quality of the day program will

not be maintained at its new site. They are afraid that the "notable change" will be a negative one.

### 3.4 Initial Community Reactions to the Development Proposal

Achieve held information sessions for its stakeholders in August and October 2010. The meeting that I attended was a small meeting with almost equal numbers of stakeholders and staff. I heard the information presented as a *fait accompli*. The meeting had clearly defined time limits and I felt like there was insufficient time to hear and take on board opinions of the attendees. I came away from the meeting feeling certain that my points of view had not been heard, much less considered. Several other attendees that I spoke with after the meeting had similar misgivings.

"The vast majority of the families are satisfied that the proposed arrangements will have positive impacts on their family members with a disability". However, most of the families of Crowle are opposed to the development. This opposition comes from the belief that their person is better off remaining at Crowle, that is, Crowle as they knew it but with upgraded facilities. However, some believe that the demolition of Crowle is an inevitability, that the kitchen will close, that the long term friends will depart if they have not done so already and that Crowle will become a construction zone.

It must be pointed out that it is not only the Crowle families who are affected by this proposed development. I have spoken with a number of families who came from the original Hornsby Challenge. These people came to the merger believing that the Crowle land would provide facilities for a family member who is ageing and who can no longer remain living with minimum drop-in support in a community house. An elderly Hornsby Challenge mother attended the information session that I attended and expressed the hope that the Crowle land was going to provide her daughter with a facility that ensured a higher level of support in her senior years. The sibling of a woman who has lived in Achieve's community housing for over twenty years calls social inclusion "the greatest con job of all time" and says she hopes the new facilities at Crowle will finally give her sister a home.

### 8.1 Dislocation of Existing Residents

In my opinion, the group of 31 people with disabilities is not the total of people affected by the development. Another number, more than twenty people, have been moved out of Crowle since Achieve took over after the merger. In addition to this, another number, also around twenty people, were moved out of Crowle before the merger. They have become increasingly frail and with higher support needs. The families of these people were promised that when their person could no longer manage in the community they would be free to return to Crowle. Add these numbers to an unknown number of clients from the Hornsby Challenge side of the merger whose families may expect that the Crowle land will bring retirement style living for their person. I question whether "31" is the actual number of residents affected and if this number reflects the true impact.

The "enhanced outcomes in a number of areas" include:

- \* increased community inclusion: It is not about the size of the roof but the quality of the care; it takes well trained, experienced and committed staff to promote social inclusion and I question whether Achieve has enough of these and whether many clients who have moved from Crowle are experiencing as much community inclusion as they did at Crowle.

- \* physical environment tailored to the functional needs of residents. I question whether there is anything tailored about the houses or flats that Achieve is putting its people into.

- \* contemporary housing with people of similar ages and interests. I am concerned that clients are not being placed with their long standing friends and that they are being mis-matched and separated.

- \* preserve existing relationships: I hear many stories of Crowle people grieving the loss of their friends, both those who have been moved and those left behind. They are heartbreaking stories of people searching for but not finding their friends. Last week a family member told me his brother sat on the same

seat for thirty years with his friend - they never spoke but they were inseparable and now his friend has gone, moved off-site. If clients are not returned to the day program they will never see their friends again.

\* allow for and promote ageing in place for those people with high level complex health care needs. Achieve has already placed several clients in nursing homes and recently informed one ageing mother that it will not be picking up her son from the hospital next time he goes there. I think that the proposed development is an affront to the concept of ageing in place.

"A co-housing model of accommodation is being considered whereby accommodation for people with disability would be integrated throughout the completed development". In last week's local paper, TWT, the CEO was quoted as saying that Achieve would keep 10% of the development or 47 units for adaptable housing. This is not unusual, however. There is an expectation, and in some LGAs, a requirement, that 10% of any large development be for adaptable housing. It is unclear to me whether the adaptable housing would be for Achieve clients or just any elderly or disabled person needing special design features in the co-housing model. I also wonder what it means that it is being "considered" or that the Concept Plan states "**up to 10%**". In a video on the Achieve website, the figure cited is now 5%. This video can be accessed at [www.achieveaustralia.org.au/interestedabouttheredevelopmentsatCrowleHome](http://www.achieveaustralia.org.au/interestedabouttheredevelopmentsatCrowleHome).

#### 8.5.1 Disability Services

"The proposed development will have the effect of increasing the availability of supported accommodation places which are currently in short supply throughout Sydney". See above regarding this. "The availability of new accommodation facilities, either within the proposed development or located elsewhere...will enable some adult day program participants who are currently being cared for by ageing parent carers to transition into supported accommodation services". Again, I question whether the provision of bricks and mortar can make a service unless there is funding to finance the ongoing care of clients.

Does Achieve propose to fund recurrently new clients from the sale or rental of properties in the proposed development?

#### The Future

Disability services in Australia are on the brink of great change. Only last month the announcement was made of the implementation of a National Disability Insurance Scheme to be phased in over the next seven years. At a state level, we have the Stronger Together 2 initiative. These both promise the same thing: vastly increased funding for the disability sector and individualized, person-centred, portable funding packages that will be made available to the person with a disability or his or her family. Currently, service providers like Achieve are block funded to support a number of clients. In the future, individuals or families will have the ability to shop for appropriate services, withdraw from unresponsive services, find better ones and vote with their feet. Should the Crowle development be permitted to proceed, I am concerned that in one decade from now, a large number of community houses will have been purchased which will be unable to be filled. The clients will have taken their funding packages and gone to other providers.

It is imperative that the Crowle land be retained through this period of transition in the disability sector. One service that people with disability will be expecting to be able to purchase with their new funding packages will be the provision of specialist aged care. It is well known that people with disability are living much longer and that they do not do well in generic aged care. The original plan of the Crowle families, that is, to make a specialist retirement-style facility on site where their people can truly age-in-place and stay until the end of life, must be brought to fruition. While many people with a disability can live semi-independently in the community through their middle years, more support is required as they age and begin to lose skills. This often happens in their fifties. There is an overwhelming unmet need for this type of facility. In fact, the only one that exists in the state is the new 100 bed complex recently opened by ADHC on the Central Coast.

The Crowle land must be used to provide this sort of facility. The failure to do so will result in people with an intellectual disability ending their days prematurely in a generic nursing home where their special needs are not catered to. With the proposed whole-of-life funding schemes soon to be implemented, service users will be looking for exactly this specialist service. There is nowhere else in Ryde or its environs where such a facility could be constructed. All other special-purpose land that once provided facilities for special needs have gone. Dalmar at Carlingford is now a housing development. Brush Farm at Eastwood has been handed over to Corrective Services. A large part of Gladesville Hospital is a large housing development and the land at Royal Ryde Homes is about to have several hundred dwellings constructed upon it. The small tract of land in Belmore Street, Ryde, that has been left to the people with a disability of this region is the last remaining place on which a purpose-built specialist retirement village can be built. It must be used exclusively for this purpose and for no other. It must remain in perpetuity for the use of the people to whom it was bequeathed.

### Conclusion

We hear much about the need for community in our lives and I can assure you that the need for community is even more necessary in the lives of families with a disabled member. I found at Crowle a vibrant, energetic and highly supportive community. Families like my own, which used only work or day programs, found like-minded people all working for the common good of people with a disability. Our lives were touched by the enthusiasm of the fundraising, the dedication of the volunteers, the commitment of the long-term staff, by the celebrations and concerts in the Crowle hall and the regular meetings which ensured that the consensus always prevailed. I sincerely believe that across this city, you would be hard pressed to find a community with the cohesion and single-mindedness of the Crowle community.

Developments are first and foremost about gain for developers and over the years, controls have been put in place to make sure that the needs of the population are being met at the same time as the developer makes his profit. This concept plan is also about gain but it is important that it is not allowed to be at the expense of a group of people who cannot speak for themselves. I am concerned that if this development is permitted to proceed, the needs of this population will not be met and will continue through generations to go unmet. I am concerned that the plan is that Achieve Australia will buy properties off site and become the landlord for the very people whose rightful inheritance is one of Ryde's finest properties.

This submission is a plea that you look far into the future some fifty or sixty years hence. Surely this is what you do in a Planning Department. People with intellectual disability will still be here because they will always be with us. Families will be resourced to buy services in a way that is just now starting to happen. Retirement style supported living for those people who are starting to lose their skills will be an essential component in whole-of-life service provision. Because there is nowhere else in Ryde or its environs to build a village that delivers such support, future generations will be compelled to leave their neighborhood to access such support. Crowle can once again become the vibrant community it once was, providing a beacon of hope to caring families. It will provide services to an older cohort, but it will still have the capacity to draw in the community and to support younger families.

I have written this on behalf of scores of families who do not have the capacity to do so themselves. My son is not in receipt of an accommodation service with Achieve or with anyone else. However, the day may come when he will need a specialist retirement style facility and I would expect it to be in the local area. Through the Crowle community I have witnessed the lifelong dedication of the families to make a loving home for their dependent person. Many of the parents I have known have died, are ill or very elderly. Crowle really is a sacred site to this group of people and only yesterday one of these octogenarian parents told me that the proposed development constitutes the "rape" of the Crowle land.

In the past few days, I have collected signatures for the petition that will accompany these submissions. I have been amazed by the sense of connectedness, pride and even ownership that the local community has in Crowle. Crowle is truly an integral part of the Ryde community. My petitioners have links through personal experience or through family, friends and neighbours who had lived, worked or volunteered at Crowle. Only one in ten of my sample of almost three hundred people had not heard of Crowle. Dismay

and anger were expressed when told of the proposed development. This makes me able to say, without fear of contradiction, that the Ryde community is opposed to the development of the Crowle land, other than for the exclusive use of the beneficiaries of the Crowle bequest.

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The 'Concept Plan' for the Crowie home  
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**74-76 Belmore Street, Ryde**)

Dear Minister,

I refer to the Environmental Assessment submitted to the NSW Department of Planning and Infrastructure by Achieve Australia Pty Ltd seeking approval under the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979 for a Concept Plan for the Site known as 74-76 Belmore Street, Meadowbank.

The plan was submitted to Ryde Council for the redevelopment of a site willed for exclusive use of intellectually disabled residents. The arrangements associated with this site appear to been the subject of significant litigation and it would appear significant misleading and deceptive conduct.

(Which is perhaps best documented by  
<https://wiki.qut.edu.au/display/CPNS/Crowle+Foundation+v+New+South+Wales+Trustee+and+Guardian> )

I am sure by now your staff have been made aware of the history of this litigation. It is worth stating however that many of the "members" with a legitimate interest in the relevant foundation including life members and Parents – Guardians of those for whose benefit this property was acquired have been excluded from any substantiative process which produced this plan.

Most of the intellectually handicapped residents have been housed in this facility for decades and this facility was established as the sole basis for their social, housing and health needs. Many of the Guardians have written commitments for lifetime care of these individuals in the manner in which they are currently accommodated.

The section of the "plan" dealing with the **social Impacts** attempts to relegate the fate of the very people for which this facility to an undocumented irrelevance. **"the Concept Plan will over time, displace current service and residential accommodation provided on the site. However, Achieve Australia is undertaking a program of relocating existing residents regardless of the site's future".**

Without resorting to the Latin the term in bad faith and beyond power comes to mind. There are life members of what is after all a corporation who have been denied access to the processes and documentation, which produced this situation.

To put it bluntly flogging off the site for a lucrative real estate development by what appear to be a very well paid set of directors, who treat those with a legitimate interest in and in some cases are documented life members of, the relevant trust with contempt, is an outrage.

The long-term solution to this problem is transferring the assets and custodianship of these venerable people to an organization acceptable to their guardians such as the Spastic Centre or similarly credible charitable organization.

The short-term measure is to prevent the wholesale eviction of these venerable people, who are obviously totally unsuitable for community care, by rejecting this exercise in real estate based asset stripping.

Yours Sincerely,

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(57) ATTENTION: DIRECTOR  
METROPOLITAN and REGIONAL  
PROJECTS SOUTH

Residential Development 74 to 76 Belmore St, Ryde

Application Number: MP10-0110

I object to the above development for the following reasons:

1. This a massive overdevelopment of this site
2. The 7 storeys greatly exceeds by 13.5m the height of 9.5m which is allowed in this zone.
3. This massive height will detract from and may damage the heritage listed house and gardens on this site
4. Car parking for 584 cars will greatly increase traffic, noise and danger to the adjacent school and its students
5. It is doubtful if this concept conforms to the will of Mr Crowle which gifted this property for the care of disabled people

Signed

PLEASE DO NOT PLACE MY  
NAME AND ADDRESS ON THE  
INTERNET OR GIVE IT TO ACHIEVE  
AUSTRALIA, THEIR CONSULTANT  
OR THE PERSONS MAKING THIS  
APPLICATION

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22 September 2011

The Director-General  
The Department of Planning and Infrastructure (NSW)  
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SYDNEY NSW 2000

Dear Mr Haddad,

**Submission Objecting to MP10 \_ 0110 – Achieve Australia Concept Plan  
74-76 Belmore Street, Meadowbank**

We are the parents of our twin daughters, Robyn and Susan Sherwood, residents of Crowle Home since 1977.

We refer to the Environmental Assessment Report submitted to the NSW Department of Planning and Infrastructure by Achieve Australia Limited seeking approval under the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979 (NSW)* for a Concept Plan for 74-76 Belmore Street, Meadowbank, the site of the Crowle Home.

We object to the proposed Concept Plan. The Environmental Assessment Report does not meet the Director-General's Requirements and DGRs 17 (consultation) and 18 (social impact) in particular.

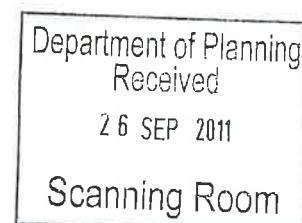
**Background**

We purchased beds at Crowle Home for Robyn and Susan in 1977 on the understanding Crowle would take care of them during their lifetimes. As identical twins, we observe that Robyn and Susan are very close and wish them not to be separated.

Prior to the merger of Achieve Foundation and Crowle Foundation in 2008, we observed that care provided for our daughters at Crowle was excellent and many enjoyable activities were provided to cater to their needs.

For example:

- Swimming lessons in the pool at Crowle
- Beth Seach organised holiday camps



- A “social” evening was organised on the first Saturday of every month with dancing and music provided for the clients of Crowle (for example, the residents) and family
- Afternoon picture show and afternoon tea provided on the first Sunday of the month for clients of Crowle
- Sometimes there would be a concert or a group would demonstrate special activities.

Things have changed at Crowle Home, in our opinion. Very limited information is given to us. Many Crowle residents were relocated to alternative accommodation away from the site of Crowle Home. As recently as two years ago, Crowle Home accommodated 90 residents or so but only about 30 remain on site today. When you lose touch with friends of 30 years, it can be devastating for anyone and it is devastating for our daughters to lose their lifelong friends.

We have always told Robyn and Susan they are very lucky because some people have *no* family; and some people have *one* family. Robyn and Susan, we tell them, have two families: that is, (1) Us, being Mum and Dad, a brother and a sister in the Sherwood family; *and* (2) their Crowle family of friends.

## Objections

Our objections to the proposed Concept Plan are based on a number of grounds including:

- Achieve did not notify us of the Concept Plan’s exhibition (and as we say, we are the parents of two daughters who are long-term residents at Crowle Home)
- Achieve has not consulted us in proper compliance with Director-General’s Requirement 17
- Individual needs for future care of our daughters, Robyn and Susan Sherwood, are not addressed
- Environmental Assessment Report does not adequately assess social impacts of the proposed Concept Plan on our daughters and other Crowle residents, and users of day time facilities at Crowle Home, and their individual needs
- Environmental Assessment Report does not adequately assess the issues raised Director-General’s Requirement 18, if at all in some cases.

In the circumstances, we ask the Department to reject the proposed Concept Plan. In the alternative, Achieve must be required to address the DGRs in a full and frank manner. We must be given all documents and information and the opportunity to make further submissions in response. And of course at all time be kept fully informed of progress.


If the Crowle site is to be developed, there is evidence that cluster housing is ideal for taking care of Crowle residents including our daughters and enabling them to lead their lives with dignity in a caring environment. And cluster housing on the Crowle site is our strong preference as compared to moving them away from Crowle Home because cluster housing on

the Crowle site may minimise adverse impacts on our daughters' well-being and their future care.

Yours faithfully

  
**Kay Sherwood**

Yours faithfully

  
**Harry Sherwood**



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Name(s) <u>HAROLD ROBERT SHERWOOD</u>				

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Signature(s) and Date <u>Kay Sherwood</u> <u>22/9/2011</u>				
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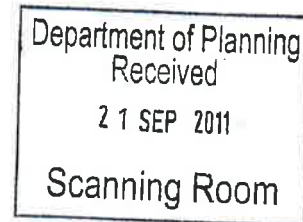


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Dear Sir/Madam,

RE: REDEVELOPMENT OF CROWLE GARDENS CONCEPT PLAN APPLICATION – MP10\_110

ACHIEVE AUSTRALIA, the owner and developer of the above project, and their team of consultants are guiding the project through the Community Consultation Phase of the Approvals process and it has come to my understanding that there is a small group of objectors who are spreading misleading information with respect to the legality and outcome of the project.

The intent of the project to assist to fund the ongoing work of ACHIEVE AUSTRALIA to provide for the housing and development of the disabled is clear. The fact that the development of 470 units will include 10% or 47 units for disabled housing is also clear, but not recognised by the objectors.

The housing and care policies of ACHIEVE AUSTRALIA are in line with the NSW Government directions for the welfare of the disabled and in fact the organisation is a leader in it's implementation.

The project is well conceived and the technical support studies, as you are aware from the Department's Review, are exemplary. The project is a fit with the community at large. The planning fulfils on site housing for the disabled and the profit from the development will bring substantial long term benefits to the disabled housing and care programs so necessary for the health of a well balanced and caring community - the people of NSW.

All support should be attended to this project and such initiatives welcomed.

Yours Sincerely

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Dear Mr. Haddad,

**Submission objecting to MP10\_0110  
ACHIEVE AUSTRALIA concept plan – 74-76 Belmore Street, Ryde.**

I am writing this submission because I am incensed at the Environmental Assessment submitted by Achieve Australia Ltd. who seek approval to have 470 high-rise units constructed on the above land, and I wish to object most strongly to this proposal.

This 4-acre parcel of land was given, by the Crowle family, in May 1952, for the sole use of intellectually disabled people (then termed 'sub-normal'). In my opinion, this gift should remain absolutely for this use alone – it was, in my opinion, NEVER INTENDED FOR USE BY THE GENERAL PUBLIC.

When The Crowle Foundation merged with the Achieve Foundation, it was understood that one-third of the land in question would be sold, and the money raised was to be used to build purpose-built cottages on this land to replace the ageing present buildings. This was to ensure that the Crowle residents would have a home for life in their familiar surroundings.

With the proposal to erect units on this land, Achieve Australia is going against the wishes of the Crowle residents' families, which, in my opinion, is quite immoral and should not be allowed to proceed.

My son came to Crowle in 1968, and for the past 43 years has been a very happy resident at this lovely home where he has enjoyed life with his companions of many years.

I plead with the Dept. of Planning to abolish this plan for redevelopment, and leave the precious Crowle Home site in the hands of the rightful people as given by the Crowle Family. These very vulnerable residents who have lived here for decades, most decidedly deserve this. This surely is a highly moral issue.

Yours faithfully,

*S. Jelfs*