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Dear Sir/Madam

I am a Director of Sovereign Grace Church (Sydney – Upper North) Limited, and write on behalf of Sovereign Grace Church (“SG Church”).

SG Church is a long term tenant of the Fox Valley Community Centre, and we would like to raise concerns about the proposed development of units behind the Seventh Day Adventist School on Fox Valley Road Wahroonga.

We are currently a congregation of about 250 people that meets every Sunday at the Fox Valley Community Centre (more on visitor Sundays e.g. baptisms, baby dedications), and have a need for at least 80-100 car spots every week. We currently use the car park that is currently proposed to be used for the development of the units. Our experience is that DA proposals for church use usually requires a minimum number of car park spots, having regard to the size of the gathering, and so trust the Council / Planning Committees will take this consideration into account.

We also note our usual music practice, which involves a full band involving drums and bass, commences from 8:15am in the morning. We do not think the venue has been designed with the requisite sound proofing in place, and so trust you will also take that into consideration in respect for owners of the premise to continue renting the space to us.

We love people, and welcome new people into the neighborhood, but also respect that any new developments not undermine the current use of existing infrastructure that required substantial investment (in this case, the Fox Valley Community Centre). The availability of such infrastructure, and interests of community groups that meet in these venues, have to be preserved in light of fewer venues with such amenities and scale in the area. We understand you have a hard job balancing all interests so will pray for wisdom in your decision and avenues of mitigation to best meet the needs of all involved.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Regards,

Andrew

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