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Subject: Objection to Long Bow Point Golf Course (SSD8406)

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## To Commission members, Objection to Long Bow Point Golf Course Proposal SSD 8406

We strongly object to Long Bow Point Golf Course Proposal & recommend that the Independent Planning Commission refuse it.

We are permanent residents in Culburra Beach.

My family value lake Wollumboola. <u>Our lake is very much alive</u>. We regularly enjoy Lake Wollumboola walking around it or together on my stand up paddle board with my young daughter & son as we see & note together the different birds & marine life we encounter.

In January 2018 in Lake Wollumboola on the western side my daughter & I had *a large sting ray* come up under our board & startle us. We were in awe as this magnificent creature much wider than my board surfaced, splashed us & flew off under water with an amazing wake.

In fact my 9 year old daughter has talked of being scientist after being inspired my the many creatures we encounter in & around the lake. We love counting all the different types of birds we see, identifying them & we discuss where they come from & go to. We love seeing the black swans after the rains. WE MUST PROTECT THIS LAKE for the future & her generation & those after her.

Our lake is too precious to be risked by the Golf Course proposal, it is of local, national & international significance & is recognised as such listed under Australian legislation & migratory bird agreements as internationally significant habitat for migratory birds. It is recognised by Birdlife International & the International Union for Conservation of Nature as a Key Biodiversity Area for Black Swans & Chestnut Teals. Parts of the lake surrounds are in Jervis Bay national Park & we find it inconceivable that a Golf Course is considered in such an environmentally sensitive area.

## We oppose golf course development proposal because:

Locating if on the shores of the lake ignores long term expert advice & N.S W Government policy that the lake catchment is unsuitable for urban development & should be zoned for "Environment Protection".

The natural surface water & ground water runoff from Long Bow Point & surrounds maintains critical lake water quality, wetlands, aquatic environment & abundant wildlife.

The applicant failed to demonstrate that no adverse impacts on the lakes sensitive ecology would occur due to pollution of surface & ground water from the golf course fertilisers, herbicides & pesticides.

The clearing of 32.2 ha of coastal vegetation threatens habitat of threatens species.

I support Ecologically Sustainable Development, conservation of biodiversity & intergenerational equity.

I support the recommendations of the Dept of Planning and Environment to refuse this development.

I would support the proposal if it addressed all concerns of the Dept. of Planning and environment & could become an ecologically sustainable development, but do not

imagine that is possible in the current location.

I thank you for your careful consideration of the points of opposition raised above.

Yours Sincerely, Kirsten & Josef Pichler