

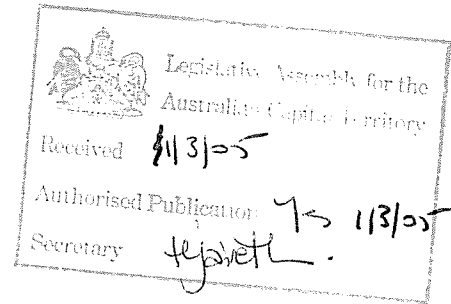
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Committee Secretary
Standing Committee on Planning and
Environment
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Dear Sir/madam

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the Draft variation to the Territory Plan DV205-Deakin Block 11, Section 68 (Oasis Leisure Centre) proposed office use.

The Board of Management of the ACT Touch Association has met on this issue and has some major concerns about this development. In particular the potential increase in traffic moving in and out of Makin place and Dennison Street.

This intersection is already a dangerous spot. This is due to cars being allowed to park on Dennison Street between the Oasis Leisure centre (King street) and Makin place. This would be in front of the office block being proposed. Vehicles making a right hand turn from Makin place into Dennison street do so blind due to the parked cars. This has resulted in number of accidents and near misses. This problem could be exacerbated with more cars moving in and out of the proposed office complex.

Associated with this is the problem of parking in the area. Already it is at a premium both during the day and at night when we conduct regular Touch Football competitions. ACT Touch Association regularly conducts schools and junior Touch competitions during the day where parents like to park and support their children.



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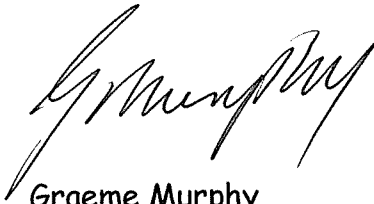
The possibility of further parking required for the proposed Office complex in Makin and Dennison streets will further tax the current capacity and with the resultant increase in traffic flow will make the area more dangerous for people moving in and out of the area.

ACT Touch Association is hopeful that if this office complex does proceed that due diligence and appropriate risk management strategies are put in place in order to resolve the problems that we have outlined in our submission and have highlighted to various ACT government departments over many years.

We again thank you for the opportunity to respond to the draft variation application.

If you require any further information please do not hesitate to contact me on 62854977

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Graeme Murphy', written in a cursive style.

Graeme Murphy
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