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The Standing Committee on Planning, Environment and Territory and Municipal Services
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Draft Variation to the Territory Plan No 343
Residential blocks surrendered under the loose fill asbestos insulation
eradication scheme

To whom it may concern,

I object to the Draft Variation to the Territory Plan No 343 (the proposal).

I strongly believe the proposal is inconsistent with Territory Plan RZ1 objectives, undermines existing plans and expresses contempt for existing planning processes.

I respectfully request the committee consider the potential med to long-term negative (and positive) impacts of the proposal as drafted, from the perspective of existing families in affected communities.

Recommendation

My preference would be for the proposal to be abandoned; however a more suitable outcome could be to amend the proposal as follows:

- allow only single storey dwellings on unit titled blocks, plus allowing attics and basement car parking;
- keep the current sliding scale plot ratios, and abandon the set ratios; and
- clearly explain how the plot ratio rules are applied and include example diagrams.

My belief is making the changes above will;

- show a heightened respect for existing planning processes;
- better protect the integrity of RZ1;
- restore some respect and faith in those responsible for Act government planning process;
- show respect for families who purchased neighboring properties in good faith; and
- the ACT Government will still raise some revenue.

Regards

Chris Hall
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