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Inquiry into drone delivery systems in the ACT

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Parliamentary Inquiry,

I live in [REDACTED] Bonython, seemingly a predominant route for the drone delivery system being trialled in the area.

I would like to advise you that the drones really cause me concerns because of:

(1) the invasion of my privacy. I am a keen gardener and I feel quite vulnerable when working outside and having the drones flying (and filming) back and forth as I work alone in the garden. This was particularly invasive over the weekends during the period before Christmas.

(2) the incessant noise they create which becomes quite frightening when they come quite close up behind you, flying low, as you walk down the driveway, for example. Like myself, there are many pensioners in this area and the sudden loud noise coming close behind you could result in a nasty fall as this is a hilly area.

(3) the disappearance of the bird population. Not long after the trial started I noticed that the smaller birds usually enjoying my garden had disappeared. As the trial progressed, the numbers of some of the medium-sized birds (parrots, etc.) also began to reduce. I understand that a significant magpie family that have nested in the trees along the top of Don Dunstan Drive has reduced to around 30% of its usual numbers. Currently in my garden, in the absence of the drones, a number of parrots have returned but I fear for their demise should the drones become a fixture.

Thanking you for your attention

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