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## **Inquiry into the Role and Future of the Woden Town Centre in the context of a compact city**

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**Subject:** Comments on facilities in Woden Town centre

There is a huge proliferation of high- rise accommodation in the town centre while at the same time recreation ,sporting cultural facilities are declining.

It is essential that a 50- metre pool and indoor sports facility be provided for residents of Woden /Weston.

We also lack an Arts Centre; perhaps more community use could be made of the theatre at Canberra College.

There needs to be an overall plan for town centres not just approval of individual developments.

Regards, Tony and Ailsa Lawton residents of Garran