

10 February 2021

Dear NSW Department of Planning, Industry and Environment,

I am writing this submission to raise my concerns and recommendations regarding the recent Western Sydney Aerotropolis Draft Precinct Plans impacting **Lawson Road, Badgerys Creek NSW**.

My parents Gauci own this property, they have lived there for 45 years. They have experienced 20 years of uncertainty and anxiety as a result of ongoing Government planning for Sydney's second airport and the surrounding lands.

An example of this stress includes the inflated annual property rates, which increased by 300% from 2018 to 2020 as a result of the land being zoned as 'Enterprise'. As self-funded retirees this caused my parents significant anguish.

These ongoing changes and uncertainty over our family home has led to serious health issues for my Father, who is now in his 80s.

When the land was rezoned to 'Enterprise' in October 2020 (under the *State Environmental Planning Policy – Aerotropolis – SEPP*) my family decided to sell our home so that we could relieve the stress that this issue was causing my Father and to allow him to move closer to the required care. It was at this time that we started discussions with several real estate agents to have the land sold.

However, in your latest precinct plan maps the entirety of my parent's block at Lawson Road has been dedicated as parkland (no building, and only 'green open space').

This came as a surprise to our family and our real estate agents, given the favourable attributes of this property (including minimal trees, flooding, contours, and dual street access) and its location.

We also noticed that a road will be going through the parkland north of our block, and it appears the WSPP have shifted that loss of parkland on to our block.

Real estate representatives have advised us that the only buyer for land dedicated to parkland or green space is the Government. This has left my family in distress, and ultimately put a stall in our plans to sell the property and relieve my elderly parents of this ongoing anxiety.

We request a resolution of this matter with one of the following outcomes:

- a. Remove the complete open space requirement from our land and allow for development, like all the surrounding properties. This will allow my family to sell this block to a buyer who is not the Government. Or;
- b. The relevant governing body (NSW Government, Western Sydney Planning Partnership, Liverpool City Council) commence the acquisition of our property under the Land Acquisition (Just Terms Compensation) Act 1991. You require our land to be parkland, therefore is it the Government's responsibility to acquire our land accordingly.

Thank you for reviewing this submission. We look forward to hearing from you as soon as possible.

Regards,
Gauci

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