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To Whom it May Concern
Shire of Jerramungup

Re : 11 Point Henry Rd Bremer Bay, Planning Approval

We thank you for your time taken and careful consideration in relation to our proposed plan.

We are eager to cover all concerns in an aim to reach an acceptable and happy outcome for all.

1. The process to move the building envelope to its current position in 1997/98 was flawed and it shouldn't have been moved.

The current location of the building envelope was a main factor of us purchasing the property and is shire approved.

2. The increase in population will increase fire risk.

We ourselves are very conscious of the fire risks of living on the Point Henry Peninsula. Having run a B&B in a similar location over the past 3 years we feel extremely confident with;

1. Guest awareness of fire safety on the Peninsula using FESA and Shire Council information.
2. Our B&B advertising is aimed at people wanting a "hotel like experience" Our guests are inside or on the deck or off seeing the sites of Bremer Bay, not camping, bush walking etc.
3. We estimate 98% of our B&B guests are mature and retired couples. They are sensible, educated and overall very considerate in all things.
4. Our Building envelope is being planned with fire safety in mind and will be maintained with the highest attention to do our bit in keeping our family, guests and the surrounding families safe as a part of the greater Point Henry Peninsula Community.
5. We are only a family of 4, however if we were a family of 10 building in a residential capacity it would not be required to go to council.

3. The separate building may result in greater noise issues, especially as the Building Envelope has been moved;

1. We decided on a split house design to ensure our visual impact is as low as possible for our neighbors, guests and ourselves.
2. We set the example of a quiet, peaceful lifestyle and our guests follow suit.
3. Our advertising suggests “relaxing, quiet, secluded, home away from home” and this is the clientele we get.
4. Our guest will have breakfast with us each morning in our house and therefore still feel part of our family while they are with us.
5. The prevailing winds are from the east and any noise (which we are not expecting any) will be blown up to Point Henry Road.

4. Concern that visitors will trespass through neighboring properties.

1. Experience has shown that our guests are most often city folk who are petrified of snakes and are very careful to keep to the house. Also by day they are busy off seeing the sites as they are normally only staying 1 or 2 nights.
2. We will be happy to put up a sign at the boundary point to let people know that it is the end of our property.
3. We also educate our guests over breakfast as to how to get to the nearest beaches and hotspots. Being elderly they almost always take their cars.

Some past guest reviews that will hopefully give an idea of the sort of people who come to us and the business we run.

10th Sept 2011, Marie and Dennis Kurth QLD

“Thanks for letting us share your “piece of peace” – So relaxing and views to die for. Really enjoyed our stay.”

29th Aug 2011, Fran and Alan Hogarth

“Very enjoyable stay. Great to meet such a lovely couple and well behaved boys- Brock and Levi Thanks.”

3rd Oct 2011, Hellen and Harry

“Peace, rest, company, food. All friendly and relaxed-great”

9th May 2012, Geoff Fairbairn

“God’s Country, God’s people. Perfection in all areas.”

Thank you

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