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General Manager/Local Planning Panel Members

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Dear Sir/Madam

**DA17/1344 Continued Use of the Site for a Greyhound Boarding,  
Training and Breeding Establishment  
Lot 17 DP 223614 (No.38 - 44) Keech Road, Castlereagh**

In addition to the Greyhound Facility - Acoustic Assessment letter submitted by Day Design at the Local Planning Panel on the 26<sup>th</sup> September 2018 addressing all unresolved issues identified in the Major Assessment Report prepared by council, I would like council/Local Planning Panel (whoever has authority) to consider the following information provided below prior to making a decision on the DA17/1344.

Although the facility meets all required noise criteria with the proposed amount of dogs as demonstrated in the Environmental Impact Assessment conducted by day design and follow up acoustic assessment clarification letter. To give council further confidence and certainty around the facilities compliance and ongoing operation I have committed to:

Reduce capacity of facility by nearly 25% to 10 adult dogs in the indoor kennels and 18 pups in the outdoor yards. This reduction will result in noise generated by the facility being significantly below all required noise criteria during all management scenarios. The reduction in dogs will also obviously reduce the potential impacts the facility may be having on surrounding properties.

Although the Operating Scenario letter by Day Design dated the 8<sup>th</sup> August 2018 confirmed the management restrictions around the roller door are not required to achieve noise criteria, based off representation at the planning panel it is apparent the most sensitive area to the facility is from the west. To further reduce any potential impacts I offer to relocate the main access into the barn from the west to the eastern side of the barn where the nearest residence is over 350m away. This will be achieved by installing an internal acoustic barrier across the western roller door rendering it in-operable whilst also increasing the acoustic performance of the barn addressing the current weak spot on the western side. In addition to the change in orientation to further increase the acoustic performance of the barn under all management scenarios I offer to reduce the new opening cut out on the eastern side of the barn (at least 50% smaller than current roller door). The new door on the east would be the main access in to and out of the barn.

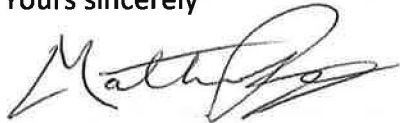
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I hope council/Local Planning Panel can acknowledge that the above changes demonstrate that although the facility already meets noise criteria I am trying to mitigate the potential impacts the facility may have on the surrounding properties to as low as reasonably possible. Although I do not agree with/support the unsubstantiated claims made by residents at the Local Planning Panel I have taken this in to consideration when committing to the above. In my opinion when considering all of the acoustic controls that have been implemented and the reduced scale of this facility I believe the impact would be no different if not less than someone having a few animals on a residential property. I note to date council have not suggested any changes that would assist addressing issues raised. If council believe there are any other controls not currently in place or mentioned above that would further reduce the facilities impact I am more than happy to consider them.

If you would like to discuss further, please contact me on 0404 713 356.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Mathew Pryce', with a stylized, cursive script.

Mathew Pryce