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The objection I make is for the increase of traffic on an already overcrowded road ways e.g. Meadows Road and Edensor Road CABRAMATTA WEST Roundabout & flow of traffic in all directions.

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[REDACTED]

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The ~~Fair~~ Fairfield Council check up this position.
Why I tell anything because it very close
(Hamilton public school / St John park public school /
Catholic school.) and this position always Traffic
From more car driving to home after work from
Smithfield / ~~Wetherill~~ Wetherill park or
From pestons.

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- I have been this place over ten year, I knew
the position meadows Rd and Edensor rd.
- before the council let ~~contract~~ constructed new
Roundabout that many accident in this position (~~5-7~~ / year
(5 → 7 / year)
- This case a big Workshop will be hundreds people come in/out
so there are more car come in/out this place.
that's cause so stuff for Traffic and dangerous for pedestrian
pass. This crossing and all resident driving the car out/in Street.
- I think that this position not clear for a big Workshop.

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THE TRAFFIC on Edensor Rd is at full capacity and it is very difficult for residents to exit their property in this traffic. The addition of another major development will further overload the traffic congestion on Edensor Rd to an unbearable level.

It has been proven 100% from similar nearby developments that the traffic congestion becomes so heavy that it does not move. This development will absolutely contribute to the same detrimental effects. This creates an unsafe and frustrating environment to the local residential ratepayers.

OBJECTIONS: I have viewed the plans and object to the development on the following grounds:

The parking facilities are inadequate to support the development. The Public roads should not be further congested by parking on Edensor Rd.

A "No standing" & "No Parking" should be created on this section of Edensor Rd. All parking for the development should be within its own premises.

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I strongly object this construction as it's next door neighbour. I believe I would be most affected by it. the location of this "place of public worship" would affect my neighbourhood in many ways firstly the noise that will occur in the following TWO years which would affect us all dramatically and it doesn't end there. After this project is complete there will be more challenging problems. My family and I are buddhist who are familiar with this sort of place. The incense (or what ever they call it) that they use have a disturbing smell and lots of smoke, and they are likely to have bells which are quite noisy and they will attract many visitors hard to ignore and on top of that these places are usually storage for remains (bodies) of deceased citizens which is more than disturbing, therefore I suggest you move this project to a more suitable location.

5th of December 2012

Dear Mr K. Kerzinger,

I am writing in response to the Development Application No: 807.1/2012 by Applicant VT Architects Pty Ltd for a proposal in constructing a place of public worship at No. 47-51 Edensor Road, Cabramatta West NSW 2166. [REDACTED] have been residing at this property for over 10 years.

I have many concerns regarding this Development Application as I believe it to be an unfair proposal as the community we reside in is a quiet family neighbourhood and constructing a place of public worship just a fence away from our homes can destroy the type of community that has been established in this area. And while I am a firm believer on understanding and embracing diversity, I do believe this neighbourhood and community have a right to a safe environment and happy and comfortable home to live in.

I have taken a step further in following up on this matter as I believe that merely just commenting in the form that has been enclosed with the Development Application (received on the 14th November 2012) is insufficient and has not catered to the needs of the many Non-English Speaking Background families (NESB) in the area, fortunately, I am an Australian born with a Vietnamese background, therefore I am able to reach out and assist my neighbours of whom are mostly Vietnamese.

In this letter, I will establish and justify the many concerns that I and my neighbours have regarding the Development Application.

1. Noise pollution
2. Invasion of privacy
3. Increased traffic
4. Change of family and recreational environments
5. Flood risk
6. Cultural values

During the many years that the majority of us have resided here, it has always been a quiet family friendly neighbourhood, in which noise disruptions was never an issue. All the neighbours in this area respect one another's standards of noise disruptions. Constructing a place of public worship, a fence away from our homes, will become a cause of noise pollution in our community. The Chinese Mahayana temples chant on a daily basis; which I'm certain will be heard from our homes as traffic can also be heard amongst the busy street of Edensor Road.

During traditional Chinese festivals and occasions, such as Lunar New Year (a three day festivity), Moon Festival, Buddha's Birthday and opening of the Place of Public Worship, there is an expectance of excessive noise disruptions as it is part of the Chinese culture to celebrate with fire crackers, lion and dragon dancing and on some occasions fireworks, as a symbol of good luck and fortune. And whilst most families in this community do celebrate some of these festivities and occasion, it will

become quite overwhelming as there will be a large number of guests visiting this Place of Public Worship and may become disruptive to our own private family celebrations. I also have concerns for the traditional burning of false money during these festivities. The fumes given off these papers will spread through our community, leaving most residents living nearby to inhale this pollution.

[REDACTED] from the place of public worship, we are not only welcoming the monks and religious followers who will reside in this temple but are welcoming all local people who visit this temple as our neighbours. I have deep concerns of bringing more publicity to this family friendly area as it can also be an increase in risk of trespassing our properties as well as break and entering. Our community has had its fair share in burglaries in 2007 and most homes have upgraded the security measures of their homes in order to feel safe and have peace of mind. However, being in the radius of a place of public worship does eliminate that peace of mind as there is the constant fear of not knowing what may happen with crowds of visitors near our homes as well as invasion of privacy.

As seen from my own personal experiences at Phuoc Hue Temple in Wetherill Park and the Australian Chinese Buddhist Society Temple at Bonnyrigg, festivals and special occasions are not catered for in terms of parking spaces. I have witnessed visitors of these temples, parking in areas as far as a kilometre away in order to join in these festivities. If the Development Application were to be approved, my neighbours and I will feel at risk in terms of privacy and safety, where visitors will be invading our privacy and properties in order to park their vehicles.

Living on a street off from a main road, I have always understood and worked around heavy traffic conditions on Edensor Road, whether it may be school zones, as there are three local schools in the radius of one kilometre away from my home, or peak hour traffic, as the two roundabouts (Meadows Rd and Edensor Rd and Humphries Rd and Edensor Rd) can be quite congested during these times. The Development Application states that the place of public worship be built directly in front of the Meadows Rd and Edensor Rd roundabout, which eliminates the function and reason why that roundabout was built just recently. Adding another place of interest on a long winded road of many places of public worship and schools is likely to add to the traffic along this road. I believe it is not in the best interest of most of the families living in this area to have to struggle with traffic more than they should at this present time.

Adjacent to the water channel is walkway recently built for families to stroll along and enjoy the sights and peacefulness of this natural environment. I believe it is not in the majority of this neighbouring communities interest to destroy one of the most recreational and natural environments that is most accessible to families living in this area. Through the years, I have read in newspapers and Council letters of plans to improve the recreation and family lifestyles of this local community by constructing and renovating facilities and parks to make this area more 'family friendly'. Constructing the place of public worship goes against this ideology as it takes away the attention of the natural environment and creates a whole busy atmosphere of constant visitors and vehicles going in and out of the Temple, as well as the noise pollution.

As a previous employee with Insurance Australia Group, I have worked with brands such as NRMA and have an understanding of how insurance premiums are calculated. I have learned that residing

next to a place of interest (school, shops, temples or churches) is likely to increase your premium as there is more publicity in the area. When requesting a quote for my home, I have found that my premium overly exceeded the amount of my current insurer, reason being that NRMA had deemed the area that I live in as a 'flood risk' area, bringing my insurance to over \$2000 a year. Insurance is quite unpredictable; the amount I'm paying now already has doubled the amount I paid last year, I am very concerned about the amount I will have to pay for peace of mind when the Temple is built.

Lastly, having a Temple built [REDACTED] homes interferes with our community's cultural values. As you may know, many of the residents, including ourselves, are of an Asian background and we all have our own personal beliefs and superstitions which clash with the beliefs of the Buddhist associations. What concerns our Community particularly is that, according to the Temple's floor plans, a Columbarium will be directly placed behind our homes. We were informed that there will be cremations and artefacts stored in this building. We are especially more superstitious of the lingering of the dead and their remains and do not feel comfortable being in our homes with the presence of cremated remains stored so close to us, as we believe that this brings bad omen. From another perspective, it is like an equivalent of living next door to a cemetery. This will be a cause of constant uneasiness and threat in the place we call home.

Once again, we have resided here for over a decade and very comfortable with what we have and our surroundings now. We all have established and changed our lifestyles to our own comfort and convenience and the construction of the Temple will destroy all that we have worked for. We all fear that the construction of the temple will make our lifestyle differ in such a way that some of us may have to even consider relocating, which is not easy for anyone. As we respect the beliefs and values in our community, we hope that the Council and other parties involved in this proposal will also respect ours.

Thank you for your time, I look forward to hearing the Council's decision.

Kind Regards,

[REDACTED]

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We donot agree for the temple to be build
near our house.
This area belong to resident area, not
a public area,