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Council refuses offer on Nelson Place plan

Wednesday, 20 May 2009

"HOBSONS Bay Council has rejected an offer for a State Government-appointed panel to fast-track a multimillion-dollar high-rise development in Williamstown.

Nelson Place Village Pty Ltd has asked the council to rezone land bounded by Nelson Place and Anne and Kanowna streets from industrial and special use to residential.

If the council agrees, this would pave the way for a proposed residential development comprising four towers up to 12 storeys high, 79 three-storey apartments and 667 parking spaces.....

.....Williamstown Newport Spotswood Residents' Association spokeswoman Sue Murray said the community backed the council's position.

"As residents, we're particularly concerned that the right of

third parties to properly scrutinise any major development in Williamstown should not be removed by the project either being called in by the minister or by being referred to a PDP where the terms of reference are set by the minister and there will not be the opportunity for community input.

"I'm particularly concerned that the actual proposal is a massive overdevelopment which will both unduly stress our infrastructure and also destroy the character of Williamstown.".... "

See Williamstown Advertiser article:

<http://www.themail.com.au/news/local/news/general/council-refuses-offer-on-nelson-place-plan/1517361.aspx?storypage=0>

The audacity that developers can come to the elected council for Hobsons Bay and say they don't want to provide information and try to avoid the democratic rights of the citizens of Hobsons Bay in these planning matters. Thank you Council for maintaining the rights of residents.

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Keep clear: shipbuilder

Wednesday, 20 May 2009

“WARSHIP and submarine builder BAE Systems has expressed reservations about residential neighbours moving too close to its Williamstown operations.

Nelson Place Village Pty Ltd is proposing to build on surplus BAE land, next to BAE's active shipbuilding yard, as part of its multimillion-dollar high-rise residential development plans.

The global defence and security company, formerly known as Tenix, manufactures everything from warships to submarines.

A BAE systems spokesman said the company would oppose any development that threatened the viability of its naval shipbuilding facility.

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BRW's rich listers lose \$25b; still way richer than you

Thursday, 28 May 2009

“....Another shock is the movements in the fortunes of two of the key figures at struggling media group Fairfax Media. The valuation of chairman Ron Walker has surged from \$427 million to \$768 million (apparently due to his investments in residential land and property developments in Melbourne) while the valuation of major shareholder and director John B. Fairfax has dropped from \$1.32 billion to \$618 million, mainly due to Fairfax's sagging share price.....”

<http://www.crikey.com.au/2009/05/28/brw-rich-200-falls-by-25-billion-but-should-be-more/>

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