

EFFECT OF LIFESTYLE BLOCK VALUE

PEAKS PERCEPTION LANDSCAPE
ETC.

Nigel Voice Hearing Notes.

Good Morning Commissioners

My wife will be talking so I will be brief.

Nigel Voice, 5 Bypass Road, neighbour.

My wife, Rose & I have 4 successful adult children.

History: ^IMoved here 16 years ago with my family from Dunedin where I served 22 years with NZ Police

Reason : the big sky, open mountains , belonging to a community & a ~~good~~ place to grow our business. ~~and for sledging~~
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I initially learned about the solar facility from the project land owner , he said " he was putting a couple of solar panels on his farm. " I didn't think much about that , more confused why he'd even told us ?

We then actually looked at the pamphlet & attended the local drop in session & found out the scale of what was proposed next door.

As a keen Cyclist (and member of Central Otago Cycling Club) I regularly cycle all over the Maniototo.

The areas I cycle into includes Mapped " Outstanding Natural Landscapes ", whilst the project area is not inside

this line on a map, I strongly believe our landscape is a unified landscape, all inclusive. The views I live in, cycle thru & enjoy for my own mental well being will be severely degraded by this large black linear area.

Maniototo is fast becoming a cyclists playground & has great rides that take in some amazing scenery. The majority of these will be spoilt.

Our area is one of NZ's unparalleled places , vast plains, big skies , all inclusive & outstanding, one big amenity that drives local well being & a huge tourist industry.

There must be a more suitable places like degraded sites nearer to urban demand, not smack in the middle of one of NZ's greatest assets.

This project will ^{change and} ~~irreversibly~~ alter the character, amenity & liveability of our own property and the Maniototo.
FOR EVER !!

It will render our home & business non viable and create effects that cannot be offset, making our property effectively unsellable .

This project will bring years of construction noise, dust, traffic & visual impact to us & our our region .

Our property is the centre of our working life, the only asset we have to pass on to our 4 children.

The generational security that this property represents will

be destroyed, because of our loss of our important amenity.

From the very start of this process Helios & CODC have treated us as nothing more than collateral damage.

My family , their success & happiness is not collateral, it is everything to me.

This proposal has had a huge detrimental effect on my families physical & mental health , we have lived with the prospect of loosing everything for 2 years now.

The Police have also trespassed one of the land owners from our property.

Hardly in line with a fair statutory RMA process.

The strength of community support has been incredible thru out this stressful time.

Why should our lives , our identity, our financial security be sacrificed simply because we happen to live next door.

We are a good, hardworking, law abiding , community minded family, yet we are being asked to carry the burden of a decision that benefits others while destroying what we have worked for.

No one should have to pay this price for someone else's profit.

The Central Otago District Plan (Rural Resource Area) explicitly seeks to **avoid, remedy or mitigate adverse effects** on landscape and **amenity values** (noise, visual, etc.).

I believe this has shown that supports our expectation of a **quiet, rural residential amenity**.

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Given the scale of ^{and} ~~unmitigated~~ effects on amenity, health, business viability and generational security, I respectfully request that the commissioners

decline this application on the grounds that adverse effects on us as an immediate neighbour & our community are more than minor and cannot be adequately mitigated.

Thank you for the opportunity to be heard .