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DETAILS OF THE PERMIT APPLICATION YOU ARE RESPONDING TO:

Application Number: P02-102A

Address of Subject Land: LOT 2 ON PLAN OF SUBDIVISION 3140 MIDLAND HWY LETHBRIDGE

Description of Proposal: PIGGERY EXTENSION AND ANAEROBIC LAGOON

Name of Applicant: CHRIS RICHARDS

DETAILS OF SUBMISSION / OBJECTION:

(State reasons for objection and how you would be affected by the granting of a planning permit)

I DO NOT OBJECT TO THE INCREASE IN PIGGERY SIZE TO 400. THIS IS A RURAL AREA AND THERE

ARE MANY BENEFITS TO THE COMMUNITY FOR THE INCREASE.

HOWEVER I DO OBJECT TO THE INSTALLATION OF AN ANAEROBIC LAGOON. THE EPA STATES THAT

THERE MAY BE OBJECTIONABLE ODOURS AND SENSITIVITY TO ENVIRONMENTAL CONDITIONS. ALSO

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Objection to Planning Permit

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Your Details:

Details of the Planning Application You Are Responding To

Application Number: P02-102A

Address of Subject Land: 3140 Midland Highway Lethbridge Description of Proposal: Piggery shed Extension Name of Applicant: Chris Richards

Details of the submission/objection:

I wish to object to the proposed extension to the piggery on the following grounds:

- Odour Pollution and Water Pollution which impacts negatively on the amenity of the surrounding landholders, the township and the Moorabool River. My home is downwind from the piggery. I will be able to smell the odour from the proposed open lagoon and in all likelihood be able to smell the liquid waste when it is spread on the property. I believe that this situation will make it less likely that I will want to go outside and enjoy my garden; go for a walk or ride my bike around the district. These are things which I enjoy doing, and are one of the benefits of living in a rural community. If I can no longer do these things with enjoyment, I believe that this will impact on my desire to remain a resident of the Shire and will also result in a decrease in the value of my property. The Moorabool River is well known to be a fragile river system which could well be placed under additional stress with runoff water from the piggery making its way through the ecosystem. The Moorabool River plays an important part in the agricultural, recreational and economic health of the shire and should not be ignored in this proposal, as once the health of the river is compromised, it will be an expensive, time consuming (and perhaps futile) process to attempt to restore it.
- Intensive farming practices which barely meet industry standards which are not in line with community values. The original VCAT decision imposed on the piggery, reinforced and up held the community values of the time, ensuring that the amenity of the township was preserved. In the last 15 years, the community has been, largely satisfied, with the operations of the piggery. During this time, the local focus of the region has continued to evolve. Entrepreneurs and local businesses have worked hard



to develop tourism in the area. The amenity of the area is more important than ever. Visitors come to the region for fine food and wine, not an intensive piggery! The proposed piggery is on a major tourist route, not set back, away from high density traffic. Loss of amenity will directly impact my wellbeing and the wellbeing of my neighbours. Everybody in the township, including myself, reaps the rewards from the flow on effects of tourism through the creation of employment opportunities and improvement in services which follow.

• The precedent which it sets for other landholders. It is extremely disappointing that the applicant has sought, in this application, to ignore the original VCAT decision made when establishing the piggery. I question the integrity of their operations and have little confidence in their willingness to abide by the rules and regulations imposed. I strongly believe that the approval of this application will allow other intensive farming industries in the region to see their way clear to expand their businesses as well in a manner which does not fit well with the growing residential developments in the region. Residents of the Golden Plains Shire must be confident that the shire cares about their wellbeing and values the current lifestyle and opportunities that a semi-rural lifestyle has to offer. If this does not happen, new residents will be reluctant to invest in the region and property values will decline.

Are there any changes that could be made to the proposal to address your concerns: Yes

My concerns would be alleviated if the applicant abided by the original conditions imposed by VCAT when establishing the intensive piggery.

I believe that the Golden Plains Shire must insist that current best practice is used in all aspects of this industry in the shire. Air pollution, water pollution and the wellbeing of the animals housed in the factory must all reflect the very highest standard available to ensure that there is a benchmark that residents and rate payers can be confident and proud of.

Signed:

Date: 21st March 2018

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This application, number - P02 - 102A relates to;

- a) An increase of 200 boars (416 total) and subsequent enlargement of the current facilities at Pork Storks, situated at 3140 Midland Highway, Lethbridge;
- b) The construction of an anaerobic lagoon for the treatment of effluent and;
- c) An amendment to conditions, to allow for the application of the effluent to the land as liquid fertiliser.

I am supportive of Australian businesses and especially of local business in Lethbridge. I am keenly aware that more and more people are seeking to move to the area, to start families and start small businesses.

This is supported by the recent purchase of the old Lethbridge Primary School and the intention of the owner to refurbish it as a café, as well as the recent sub-division of 17 one-acre blocks in the "Moorabool Ridge Estate", along the Midland Highway.

In relation to this application, there is a submission to the increase in the current number of boars, to allow for a total of 416. I see this as a positive step-forward in the improvement of local industry, supported by eight jobs (two full-time and six part-time) and do not take any issue with this point.

The subsequent enlargement of the current facilities to house these boars is also not argued, however, the management of their effluent is heavily contentious.

The application refers to the construction of a three-metre deep, 30 x 30 metre, open, anaerobic lagoon, for the treatment of the effluent, from over 400 boars.

This large lagoon, is to be built within 3 kilometres of the centre of the Lethbridge town, within 2.5 kilometres of our home and in an alarmingly closer proximity to other homes.

My primary concern relates to the unbalanced argument, between the lower long-term costs with this waste management strategy, versus the adverse environmental effects, stemming from the potential for lagoon overflow as well as potent and dangerous gas emissions. The gases which will be released without any treatment, will include ammonia, hydrogen sulphide, methane and carbon dioxide.

A lagoon of this size will unarguably exude a strong undesirable odour, which despite favourable wind conditions, will radiate and spread into our community.

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Ammonia emissions coming from the lagoon, with irritate the respiratory functions of not only animals but of local residents and I will particularly suffer; due to my asthma condition. I have also recently learned that the potential for an increased rate of asthma in children increases when residing near anaerobic lagoons.

These types of lagoons will contain a high concentration of hydrogen sulphide, which is considered to be extremely toxic and is commonly recognizable as the "rotten-egg" odour.

Numerous studies, which are easily researchable and retrievable online via "Google", have detailed that these types of fumes are capable of travelling great distances, further than that of the property where the lagoon is located.

This application does not mention any consideration for the for managing a potential energy source, but rather implies a bid to cut costs in the management and disposal of the effluent, by keeping it on site, in a "cheaper" longer-term process.

If this application is approved, I foresee a greater impact on the health and morale of our tight-knit community, which I think ultimately, outbalances the need for the construction of a highly hazardous, risk-associated lagoon.

I can see how this anaerobic lagoon, could be considered a good option for Pork Storks as a longer term, cost saving measure, ultimately ceasing the need for treatment of the waste off-site, however, the location of this piggery is <u>not</u> "in the middle of nowhere" and it is <u>not</u> "reasonably" far from our homes or town, it is literally "just' round the corner".

I am not an expert in the management of piggeries, animal-breeding, or waste management, however, I can imagine that alternative options to a large, open lagoon of pig waste must be available? Can the waste continue to be re-located? If not, why? Are there alternatives to having this lagoon at this property? Is a lagoon the most up to date, scientifically proven, environmentally considerate option?

A part, however small, of my families reasoning in relocating to rural Victoria and getting away from the cities, was to enjoy some freedom and breathe-in that fresh, unpolluted country air. It is simple in its essence, but means so much to us.



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DETAILS OF THE PERMIT APPLICATION YOU ARE RESPONDING TO:

Application Number: PO2-102A

Address of Subject Land: LOT 2, 3140 MIDLAND HWY, LETHBRIDGE 3332

Description of Proposal: Extension of piggery, construction of lagoon & spreading of treated effluent

Name of Applicant: CHRIS RICHARDS

DETAILS OF SUBMISSION / OBJECTION:

I object to two aspects of the application:

1) the construction of an anaerobic lagoon and

2) the application of any treated pig effluent to the land.

As a local resident, my objection is to any increase in the odour of pig effluent emanating from the factory property. This is the basis on which local residents objected to the establishment of the boar factory in 2003, and which went to VCAT and then to mediation. I was very happy with the outcome of that process and still am. I am not happy that the owner of the boar factory is now trying to do what he very well knows is what was vehemently objected to by local residents 15 years ago. The odour of pig effluent would reduce the amenity of our surroundings and the value of our properties.

I consider it unfair and unfortunate that residents who were living here prior to the establishment of the boar factory should have to, once again, spend time and energy objecting to what has already been upheld.

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DETAILS OF SUBMISSION / OBJECTION: Continued I am not opposed to the extension of the boar factory. What I am opposed to is any increase in the number of pig effluent odour molecules that are released to the open air from the boar factory and its surroundings. Are there any changes that could be made to the proposal to address your concerns? Yes 📮 No 🗖 If yes, what changes would you suggest that would meet your concerns: NOT CONSTRUCT AN ANAEROBIC LAGOON NOT ALLOW THE APPLICATION OF TREATED PIG EFFLUENT TO THE LAND RETAIN THE PROVISIONS AND RESTRICTIONS PLACED ON THE NEW FACTORY IN 2003 IN RELATION TO THE ODOUR OF PIG EFFLUENT.

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YOUR DETAILS:



DETAILS OF THE PERMIT APPLICATION YOU ARE RESPONDING TO:

Application Number: P02-102A

Address of Subject Land: Lot 2, 3140 Midland Highway, Lethbridge

Description of Proposal: Amending the permit to allow a piggery shed extension, an increase in the number of pigs (increase from 200 to 400 boar piggery), and the application of treated pig effluent to the land

Name of Applicant: Chris Richards

DETAILS OF SUBMISSION / OBJECTION:

(State reasons for objection and how you would be affected by the granting of a planning permit)

We wish to lodge an objection to the planning permit for the following reasons:

1.) The proposal does not mention any pre-treatment of effluent prior to effluent being transferred to the treatment pond.

2.) The careful management of the anaerobic treatment pond in controlling odurs cannot be guaranteed, unless the pond is also covered.

3.) Our major concern relates to the potential odurs emitted from the treatment pond. This would amount to an intolerable nuisance to neighboring properties and direct; y impact the amenity of our property.

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Are there any other changes that could bee made to the proposal to address your concerns?

Yes:

1.) The effluent would need to be pre-treated prior to transfer of effluent to the treatment pond.

2.) The anaerobic treatment pond is covered by an appropriate fabric that guarantees to control odours from the pond.

Regards

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NOTICE OF OBJECTION FOR AN AMENDMENT TO PLANNING PERMIT NUMBER P02-102

The land affected by the application at: Lot 2 on plan subdivision "Glenmor",

3140 Midland Highway, Lethbridge

PROCESS The Applicant for the amendment to the permit is Chris Richards (Pork Storks Australia Pty. Ltd)

The application Reference Number is P02-102A

I object to the amendment to the permit being granted as an open anaerobic lagoon as it will give off a lot of toxic fumes , while operating. With the windy conditions we have here, these will spread across the land quickly whichever way the wind is blowing.

I also object to the effluent being spread on the paddocks as at the time it will be spread there will be no uptake of any of the nutrients into the plants as there is no growth at this time of the year, as the pastures are dead.

When we have a big rain the run off from the piggery property runs down through my property into my dams and continues on down the valley to the river. It is my sheep's only water supply and I believe it will affect their health. I am also concerned that the river health will be affected as well.

Yours faithfully

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Date: Fri Mar 23 09:15:49 AM EST 2018 Subject: PLANNING PERMIT APPLICATION P02-102A Objection To: Enquiries;

Golden Plains Shire Council.

I am a resident and rate payer of the Golden Plains Shire, and hereby formally object to the application to amend the current planning license for the Piggery at 3140 Midland Highway, Lethbridge.

I fully support the objection/submission of People for A Living Moorabool and consider that the potential risk to the Moorabool River from the proposed amendment and piggery expansion and waste disposal plans is too great.

I consider that the proposed amendment should be rejected.

Regards,



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MPURIANT NUTES ABOUT SUBMISSIONS / OBJECTIONS TO PERMIT APPLICATIONS

- 1. This form is to help you make an objection to an application in a way which complies with the Planning and Environment Act 1987, and which can be readily understood by the responsible authority. There is no requirement under the Act that you use any particular form.
- Make sure you clearly understand what is proposed before you make an objection. You should inspect the 2 application at the responsible authority's office.
- 3. To make an objection you should clearly complete the details on this form and lodge it with the responsible authority as shown on the Public Notice - Application for Planning Permit.
- 4. An objection must state the reasons for your objection; and state how you would be affected if a permit is granted.
- 5. The responsible authority may reject an application which it considers has been made primarily to secure or maintain a direct or indirect commercial advantage for the objector. In this case, the Act applies as if the objection had not been made.
- Please be aware that copies of objections/submissions received may be made available to any person for the 6. purpose of consideration as part of the planning process in accordance with the Planning & Environment Act 1987.
- 7. To ensure the responsible authority considers your objection, make sure that the authority receives it by the date shown in the notice you were sent or which you saw in a newspaper or on the website.
- 8. If you object before the responsible authority makes a decision, the authority will tell you its decision.
- If despite your objection the responsible authority decides to grant the permit, you can appeal against the 9. decision. Details of the appeal procedures are set out on the back of the Notice of Decision which you will receive. An appeal must be made on a prescribed form (obtainable from the Victorian Civil and Administrative Tribunal) and accompanied by the prescribed fee. A copy must be given to the responsible authority. The closing date for appeals is 21 days of the responsible authority giving notice of its decision.
- 10. If the responsible authority refuses the application, the applicant can also appeal. The provisions are set out on the Refusal of Planning Application which will be issued at that time.

Golden Plains Shire Privacy Statement

The Golden Plains Shire considers that the responsible handling of personal information is a key aspect of democratic governance, and is Strongly committed to protecting an individual's right to privacy. Council will comply with the Information Privacy Principles as set out in the Privacy and Data Protection Act 2014. Council has in place a standard operating procedure that sets out the requirements for the management and handling of personal information.

If you have any queries regarding this Privacy Statement, please contact the Privacy Officer on 03 5220 7111.

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Before completing this form, it is recommended you inspect the planning permit application online or at a Customer Service Centre.

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YOUR DETAILS;	
DETAILS OF THE PERMIT APPLICATION YOU ARE RESPONDING TO:	
Application Number: PO2 - 102	
Address of Subject Land: 3140, Midlands Highwar	1, Lethbridge 3332
Description of Proposal: Amended andihons of permit to	pig farm
Name of Applicant: Chris Richards	
DETAILS OF SUBMISSION / OBJECTION:	
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