



Outlook

Auckland Prison Capacity Increase and Project under the fast track approval act 2024

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I oppose the expansion for several reasons. First, the previous planting offered little effective screening, and increased light pollution now affects nearby properties and my property specifcialy, If further expansion proceeds, I request clear evidence of improved landscaping plans, including examples from other prisons, specific plant species, expected heights, and maintenance commitments, with independent verification to ensure standards are actually met.

I believe the area would be better served by housing development, given proximity to Albany and the limited public transport access for families, many of whom live in South Auckland.

The social and community impacts of placing a larger prison here, including traffic, noise, and environmental change, should be carefully weighed against alternative investments. Finally, I ask whether this is the most effective use of public funds, given the high costs of building in

Auckland, and request that other regional options be transparently assessed as part of the decision-making process.

I would also want to know the plan for the village and what rules will be placed around this as previously it had rules around who could live there and their social connections to the prison, ie no people who had been in prison, no gangs and so on.

When I moved here in 2011 there were going to be no expansion to prison number beyond where it is now this was guaranteed . Also that the planting would always be in place and have a boarder around the prison keeping the prison shielded from locals this has also not been kept in place.

With rushing this through and not following due diligence and proper community engagement it seems inline with the continued behaviour of the Auckland prison to not be open and honest to the community which has led to a lack of faith in the prison.

Kind regards

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