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Griffith “Manor House” to proceed?

Dear *GNCA Members*,

No doubt many of you would be aware of Minister Gentleman’s decision to proceed with a one-off *Variation to the Territory Plan* to open the door for this single major development at the corner of Blaxland Crescent and Frome Streets Griffith to proceed. Further information is available below.

We will let you know when the Development Application is lodged and we would encourage ALL our members to submit objections and write letters to media organisations, phone into local Canberra talkback radio to voice your opposition.

Governments should be wary of not listening to those who elect them.

The Canberra Times

Why did this happen?

The ACT government never ceases to amaze. The Demonstration Housing Project was intended to deliver different housing types that are not currently available in Canberra. It has taken six years, after the project was approved by the Legislative Assembly, for the government to change the Territory Plan for just one block, to enable a Manor House to be built in Griffith.

It could have looked at the Manor Houses already built in NSW to assess their suitability for the ACT. It could have let us know how it was going to evaluate the outcome. And it could have taken more notice of the views of the local community (four in favour; 531 against). But it didn't.

Instead, with huge overhead costs over the last six years, it has attacked the integrity of our planning system and will deliver something that most people do not want.

Why did it persist?

David Denham, President, Griffith Narrabundah Community Association

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