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Subject: Acoustic Report (11 March) – Observations (A006898449)

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Dear Chris,

I am writing regarding the acoustic report dated 11 March for Development Application A006898449.

On Sunday, 31 May 2026, the hall was used for a large lunch gathering. At the time, windows were open, the duration extended well beyond half an hour, and the level of activity was clearly not consistent with a quiet use. In addition, children are frequently allowed to play and run within the hall for extended periods, resulting in elevated noise levels, including shouting and significant impact noise on the timber floor.

This is contrary to the recommendations in the acoustic report, which state:

“The use of the Church Hall shall be restricted to quiet activities only such as prayer meetings and Sunday School.”

I also note that the existing approval conditions require windows to remain closed. The observed use is therefore inconsistent not only with the acoustic report recommendations, but also with the current approval requirements.

While I understand that the acoustic recommendations are not yet being formally enforced, I consider it important that Council takes this observed use into account before finalising its assessment of the current development application.

Based on my observations over many years, I have concerns that achieving and maintaining compliance with both the approved conditions and the intended hall use may be difficult in practice. I have previously raised concerns directly with those managing the premises; however, this has not resulted in a satisfactory outcome. As such, I will continue to monitor the situation and report instances of non-compliance to Council where they occur.

I also note that band practice is not identified as part of the proposed use of the church within the acoustic report. The proposal outlines a range of activities, including services, prayer meetings and other gatherings, but does not include band practice, particularly involving amplified instruments and drums. Based on my observations, this type of activity is occurring in practice and can generate significant noise impacts. The omission of this use from the acoustic report's list of proposed activities raises concerns as to whether the report fully and accurately reflects the range and intensity of activities taking place on the site.

I also wish to note that band practice appears to occur on a regular basis. Most recently, on the evening of 2 June 2026, between approximately 6:00pm and 8:30pm, there was band practice occurring within the church. The noise was clearly audible throughout and included sustained drum activity and amplified sound. This was particularly intrusive, with the repetitive drum noise being continuous and unavoidable within my home, leaving me unable to escape it. The prolonged and intense nature of this noise causes me significant stress and has had a clear negative impact on my ability to reasonably enjoy and use

Given that this type of use is already occurring, including in the evening period, I am concerned that without clear, enforceable and effectively managed conditions, similar or increased noise impacts may continue. My observations to date suggest that relying on conditions alone may not be sufficient to ensure compliance in practice.

Please let me know if any further information would assist.

Kind regards,