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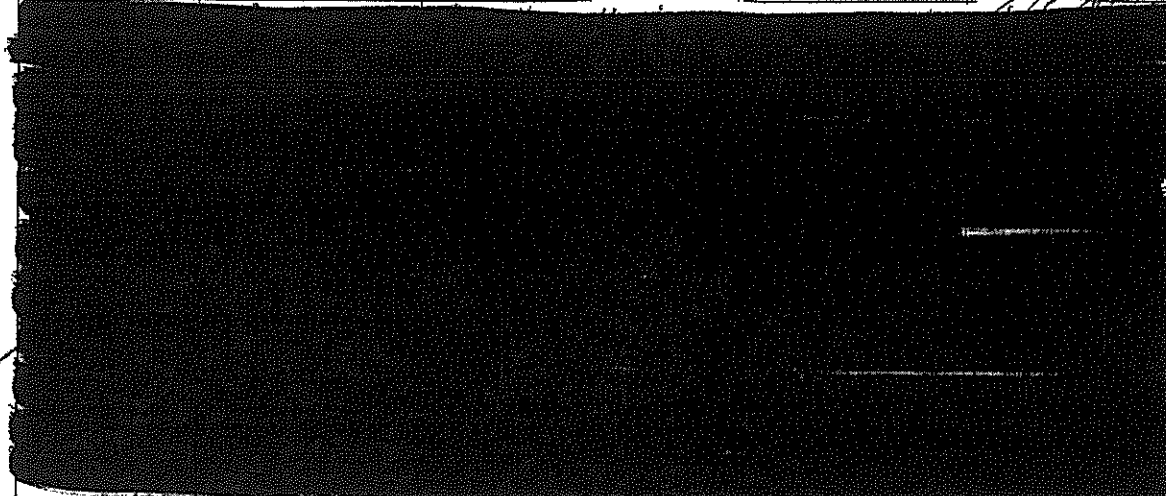
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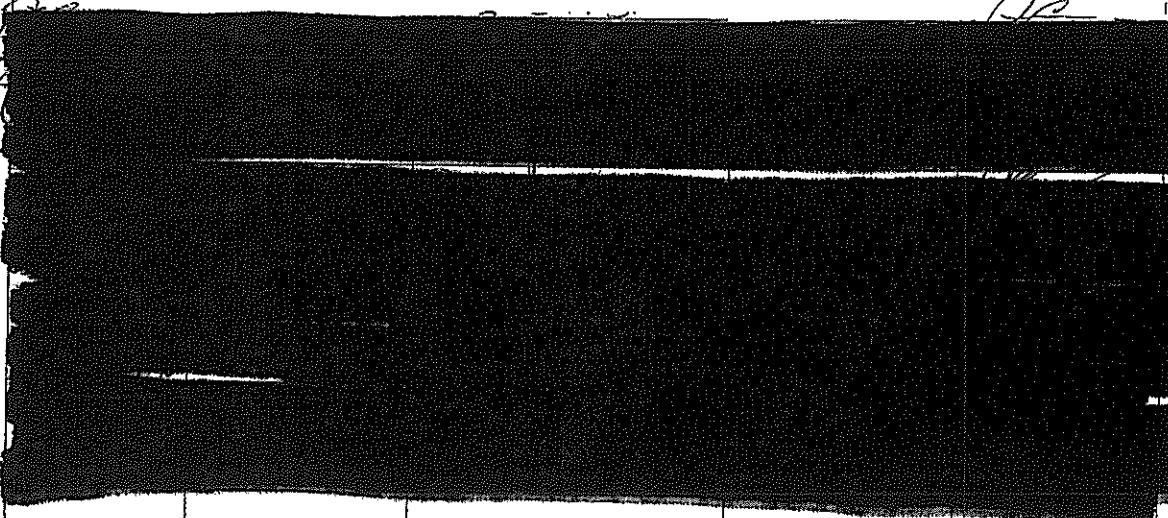
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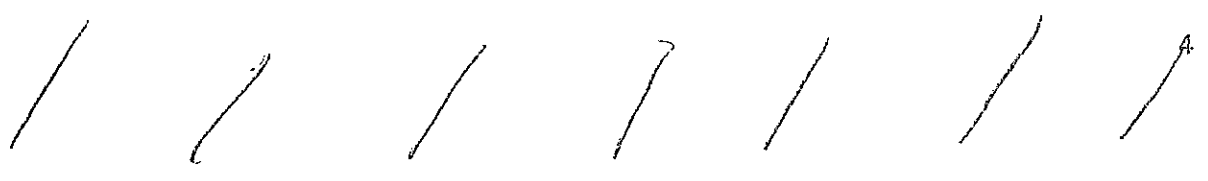
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19th August 2019

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Proposed erection of miners camp extension for 120 extra beds, a Gymnasium & Laundry.

I write in connection with the above planning application. I have examined the plans and I wish to object strongly to the extension development.

The proposed development is particularly ill-considered for social and economic effects on Cobar itself.

I understand that when the miners camp was originally approved it was on the grounds that there was no accommodation options available due to a mining boom and was given the green light.

Currently Cobar is struggling due to mining rosters which allows workers to either fly in fly out, drive in drive out & not live here, or live in the miners camp and leave on their days off.

Local businesses, schools, housing, sports and clubs like the RSL and Golf Club have all been effected from rosters alone.

The current miners camp doesn't allow the miners to utilise Cobar's services. Miners camps are usually in areas where there is no town, hence all the services are built, to accommodate miners.

This isn't the case for Cobar, the miners camp sits on the fringe of our town.

The miners camp, does give members food vouchers to use at local restaurants, Bakery etc, they use their own cook and even get their food from Dubbo. 3 hours from us.

If an extra 120 beds are allowed. That takes away 120 possible families with children enrolling into our schools, children's after school activities.

There is already 120 beds, that could be an extra 120 families in our community - if you increase that to become a 200+ bed miners camp that's near double at 200+ families Cobar is missing out on. That amount of people generate so much for our town in terms of turn over in local business. Our schools would flourish with more teachers and funding, sports and events within the community would have more participants and that's what the town needs! Not more people living in a miners camp and leaving when their shift is up.

Mental wellbeing is a major issue in small towns, so taking into consideration increasing the miners camp to be 200+ people who could live in Cobar and interact in

our community has a far reaching effect socially and mentally.

Then there's the issue of a gym and Laundry.

We currently have 2 local gymnasiums which the miners campers could utilise aswell as a local Laundromat which provides a folding service.

Then there's the effects on real estate. We have hundreds of properties for sale, and rentals available. Currently the camp holds 120 beds, so already we have 120 people not living in our town. 120 houses that could be occupied. The effect of all of this already effects cobar negatively. If the extension went ahead it would be over 200+ rentals, houses sitting there. So it effects our real estate values as we aren't getting the people living in cobar. They will stay in the camp, not spend any money in town. Nothing is being contributed to in cobar itself with a miners camp!

Our supermarkets are heavily effected as a current 120 bed facility they don't buy their food locally.

Cobar needs to be built up, socially due to rosters it's been heavily effected as for an event for example you are only effectively targeting half the town due to 7/7 rosters. The bigger rosters allow for DIDO and FIFO. I understand a small percent of this can happen, but we are a town. We have services already here. We do not need an extension to a camp that already heavily effects cobar negativity.

If this application is to be decided by councillors, please take this as notice that We the public would like to attend the meeting of the committee at which this application is expected to be decided. Please let us the public know as soon as possible the date of the meeting.

Finally, please note that our submission is in respect of the proposed development. While we have taken every effort to present accurate information for your consideration, we are not a decision maker or statutory consult, we cannot accept any responsibility for unintentional errors or omissions and you should satisfy yourselves on any facts before reaching your decision.

Yours faithfully,

SEE THE UNDERSIGNED

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## Petition - Save our Community - Cobar

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Currently there is a mining camp on the outskirts of town, they have submitted an application to expand this facility. Increasing housing from 119 to 199.

Link to the application - <https://www.cobar.nsw.gov.au/9-general/latest-news/328-expansion-of-cobar-mine-workers-village>

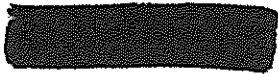
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We need legislation, similar to the Strong and Sustainable Resource Communities Act that has recently come into force in Queensland.

Our town will continue to suffer if something does not change.

For further information please see the link - <https://www.daniellelocke.com.au/post/mining-camp>

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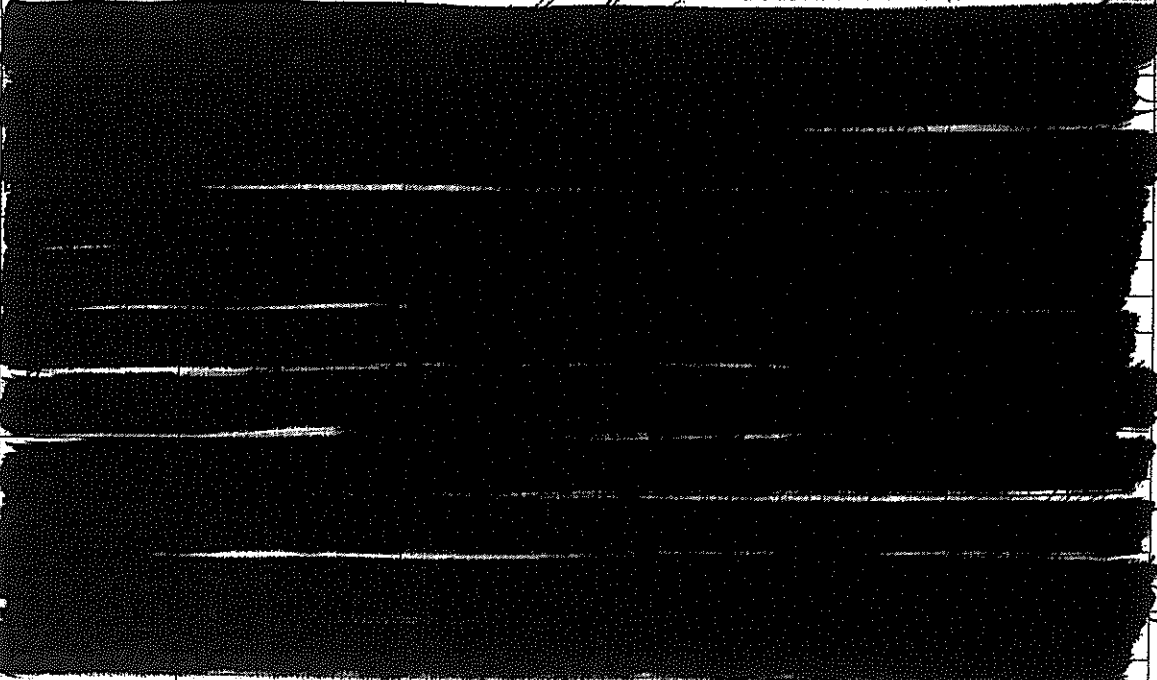
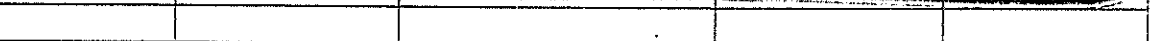

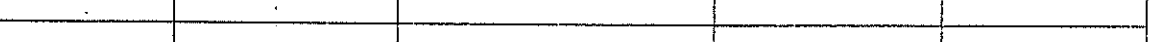
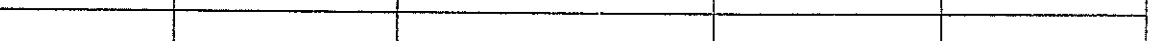
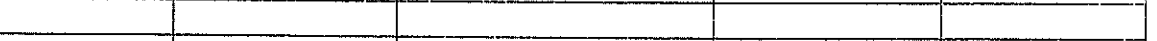
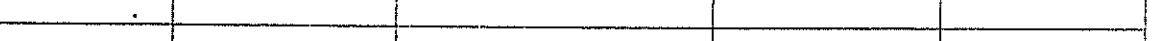
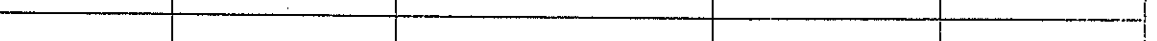


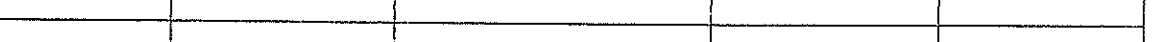
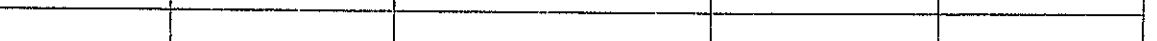
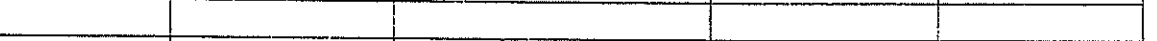
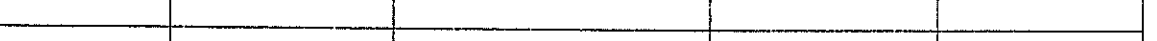
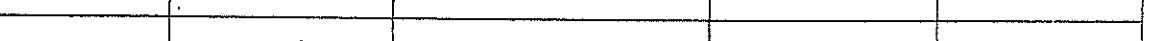
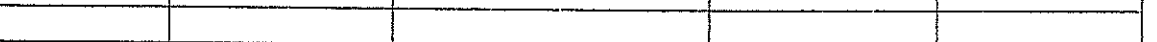

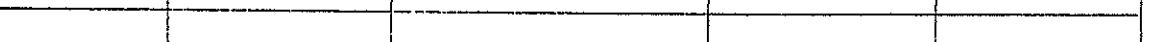

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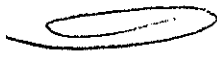
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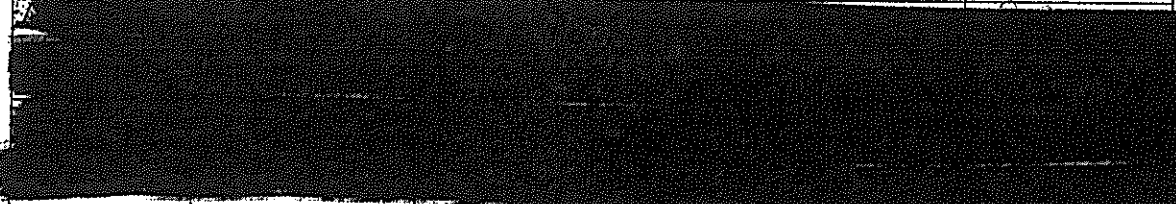
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