

Strata VIS-3881  
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Mayor and Council,  
Municipality of North Cowichan,  
7030 Trans-Canada Highway,  
Duncan, BC, V9L 6A1

July 3, 2024

Subject: Pickleball at the Cowichan Valley Sportsplex

Dear Mayor and Council:

As a Strata complex of 37 separate homes within the Municipality of North Cowichan, the "Sportsplex" is the neighbouring property, immediately to the north of us. Our strata community is for "seniors-only" (55+) and we very much appreciate having the "Chesterfield Track" facility situated adjacent to us.

However, we are very distressed to learn that Pickleball is being considered as an activity at the Cowichan Valley Sportsplex. Pickleball is not "neighbourhood-friendly". There has been much media attention on the subject and the majority of that attention has been related to serious noise impacts to neighbours.

Since the age of the homeowners in our strata ranges from folks in their late 60's to their 90's, this matter has everyone very worried. Many of our strata members have significant age-related health issues, including cancer and heart disease. Furthermore, our homes represent our life savings – that we have all worked very hard for, over our collective lifetimes.

We met with our Strata members and their overwhelming response is that we must vigorously and strenuously oppose Pickleball, in any form. As Mayor and Council, we trust that you will take whatever steps are necessary to ensure that Pickleball is not permitted at the Sportsplex. In so doing, you will safeguard our quality of life and that of our neighbours in the area.

We look forward to hearing from you on this important matter. Thank you.

Yours truly,

Frank Groenewold,  
President, Strata – VIS-3881

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