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Dear Resident,

You may be aware, Life Care, a South Australian not for profit organisation that has been a provider of aged care services in Adelaide for 67 years, is proposing to upgrade its Glenrose Court site at 550 Portrush Road and 1 Gilles Road, Glen Osmond.

Glenrose Court initially opened in 1950 and was the first of Life Care's aged care facilities in Adelaide. During this time, it has served our local elderly community well. However, facilities at the site are nearing the end of their life and require upgrading so our carers can continue to provide dignity, respect, and comfort for our residents. The rapidly growing ageing population of Adelaide also has quite different expectations of care options and for this reason the facility is sadly no longer of an appropriate size or style to accommodate future generations.

It is for this reason that Glenrose Court (along with some other Life Care facilities) now requires redevelopment. We are looking to build a modern facility that includes independent living units and a range of care services and facilities to support our residents as they age.

To realise this vision, Life Care made application to the State Government under the Major Projects Pathway in May of this year. Since then we have been working through this iterative planning and approval process to refine our plans to balance a range of design matters with our ability to still deliver our vision for the site.

In late October 2017, we met with representatives of a local action group who have been expressing concern about the proposed height of the development. We advised the small group meeting that the proposal would no longer be nine storeys and that we were intending to place our proposal on hold in order to refine our plans to balance a range of design matters with our ability to still deliver our vision for the site.

Since this meeting, we have made the decision to withdraw our applications for aged care and retirement living facilities at this current time.

Taking some time outside of the formal planning and approval process will enable us to holistically rework our proposals to ensure we can achieve our desired objectives and continue to provide the highest levels of essential care.

As part of the reassessment, we are looking for interested residents to work with us in 2018 in a design process to consider matters of height, density and traffic.

To register your interest in participating, please contact our community engagement team on 1800 431 301 (Monday to Friday 8am – 6pm) or via discuss@lifecare.org.au. We will continue to update our project website and encourage you to refer to the site on a regular basis www.lifecareprojects.com

Yours sincerely



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