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Sent: Monday 4 November 2024 09:54
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: RE: ABP - 320938 - 24

A Chara,

The Board acknowledges receipt of your email, official acknowledgment will issue in due course.

Kind regards,

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Dear ABP

Woodquay Park Enhancement by Galway City Council
Ref. No: ABP - 320938 - 24

I am trying to make a submission on the above planning proposal. If I have not sent it to the right address at ABP, would you be so kind as to forward it? Thank you

I believe that this proposal needs to be modified for three reasons.

1 The consultation was cleverly done, and in such a way that we residents have very little actual input to this final design. While many staff at GCC wanted to listen to us, the people directly involved appeared directly hostile.

2 The proposal is dangerous as it stands. There are two primary schools which use the park now, with teachers taking their classes of young children there. If you remove the railings then the teachers run the risk of having a child escape onto the road. At the moment, this cannot happen since the whole park has railings round it, and the teacher can happily take 10 children along. Without the railings then the teachers might need to stop coming, as it will be impossible to keep an eye on even 3 or 4 children.

3 The proposal does not link into the heritage and culture of Galway — and could be situated in Brisbane or Dubai, for all the links it has with the city. In the proposal we made to GCC — the proposal which they used and changed in order to get this large sum of money — we had some nice features which related it to the Corrib and the legends of the area. We also had a little amphitheatre space which we could have used to read a poem on Blooms Day or whatever. So the



aspects that make it meaningful to us have been stripped out. Why? With no apparent good reason.

Many thanks for your time.

Best,

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