Siting Variation (Relaxation) Application Part 2 Neighbour's Statement

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Council's policy is to obtain the neighbour's comments about the proposed development and to raise any matters which may concern you regarding the proposal. It is important that you fully understand the proposal and to address any issues you have before you sign in the space provided.

While your views are considered, Brisbane City Council's decision to allow or disallow any relaxation application is final. Before completing this statement please read the 'Guidelines for neighbouring property owners' on the back of this form.

This statement is to be completed by the NEIGHBOUR of the property where the building/structure is proposed. Statement to Brisbane City Council concerning

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Siting of a	type of structure			
	type of structure			
at	the property address			
I,	your name	your name		
am the owner of the property at	your address			
	your address			
I have viewed the plans				
AND		drawing numbers		
I fully understand what is being proposed.				
AND - select one of the following three options				
I have no particular concerns with the proposal.				
OR				
My concerns in regards to the proposal are as follows:				
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OR				
I will contact a Brisbane City Council Officer (phone 3403 8888) within 48 hours to discuss this issue.				
	Neighbouring Property Owner's signature and date			

Guidelines for neighbouring property owners

The legislation ■

The Queensland Development Code (QDC) – Part 12 provides the boundary setbacks required between buildings/structures and property boundaries on lots greater than 450m².

You may site a development in a position that does not comply with the requirements of the Code, subject to gaining approval from Council. In these instances, a Siting Relaxation Application is required to be made to Council.

The Brisbane City Council is able to amend the setbacks either by application (under section 20) or by incorporation into the *City Plan 2000*.

The Performance Criteria under the QDC require that the siting of the structure:

- facilitates an acceptable streetscape appropriate for bulk/road boundary setbacks/ outlook and views of neighbouring residents/nuisance and safety to the public
- allows adequate daylight and ventilation to habitable rooms/habitable rooms of buildings on adjoining lots
- allows adequate open space for recreation, service facilities and landscaping
- does not unduly overshadow adjoining houses/obstruct the outlook from adjoining lots
- allows adequate visual privacy for neighbours
- adequately facilitates normal building maintenance
- provides adequate sight lines on corner blocks
- provides sufficient space for on-site carparking.

What is being proposed? ■

The owner/s of the allotment adjacent to your property is/are seeking to reduce the standard boundary setbacks because the proposed development will not comply with the regulation setback requirements.

Council's policy is to obtain your comments about the application for siting relaxation.

The development assessment process is an important step in ensuring Brisbane is well designed for subtropical living – part of Council's Living in Brisbane 2010 vision for the city's future.

The assessment process

There are a number of factors that must be taken into consideration when relaxing the boundary clearances on allotments

Before commenting on a relaxation, you need to consider the following factors and whether they will significantly impact on the use of your land:

- Would the natural light and ventilation be blocked out, or unduly reduced?
- Would the privacy of your home be affected more than if the building was located on the standard setbacks?
- Will the views from the living areas of your dwelling be significantly affected?
- Would the proposed building overshadow any windows, doors, decks or outdoor living areas on your property?

Other factors taken into account during the assessment are

- The density of the buildings on the particular allotment.
- Whether sufficient landscaping space remains on the allotment.
- Whether sufficient off-street parking remains available on the allotment.
- You must provide a statement to Council. The statement is overleaf.

While your views are considered, it is Council's decision to allow or disallow an application.