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**Subject:** Short-term rental permit application

We are Dan and Debbie Cassidy, living on Mayne full-time since 2016 at [REDACTED]  
We are opposed to the renewal of the Temporary Use permit sought by the owners of 538 Arbutus Drive.

In general, short-term rentals, both permitted and otherwise, can deplete the stock of rental homes for many of those, including young families, trying to work and live on Mayne Island. The lack of affordable housing can limit the labour pool to the point where such a lack has a negative impact on Mayne Island businesses. A recent example is the loss to Mayne of the Give Pizza Chance pizza truck, which closed its Mayne Island operation due to a lack of staff.

Further, we are not confident short-term rental owners adequately monitor guests' behaviour, particularly regarding water use. We have had to educate visitors at short-term rentals about water restrictions, such as not washing cars with community water.

The original stated intention of the owners of 538 Arbutus Drive in seeking a TUP was to enable the owners to afford to buy the property from their parents. Now it appears they may view it as a revenue property.

Dan and Debbie Cassidy  
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