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Comment re DA - Application Number BW 2024-5698

I would like to begin by saying that I am hugely conflicted re the planned Centre for At Risk Youth to be built in Daintree Village.

I do not want to be one of those people who say "not in my back yard", but Daintree Village has no police station or medical centre, such assistance is at least 35km away. I am concerned that bringing these youth, who are not necessarily from within the Douglas Shire, will be importing problems into our community, problems with which we are not equipped to deal. Also, the land on that side of the river floods and I have serious concerns for the safety of persons living over there.

However, the Jabalbina Yalanji Aboriginal Corporation, does great work in the Mossman Gorge community and Mossman Gorge Cultural Centre, I believe that any Centre with which they are associated will be well run. If the youth were only from Douglas Shire, I would be more comfortable.

I would like to see the Centre embraced by the Daintree Village community and not rejected out of hand based on fear....fear re personal safety, fear of property security, fear of anti-social behaviour and fear of devaluation of property. It will only work if the community can embrace the concept and Centre and accept it as part of the Daintree Village community.

This is the indigenous community trying to help themselves. They are fellow Australians and we must cooperate and assist as much as we can.

Best regards,

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