

SUMMARY OF SUBMISSIONS
Aquanita Rise, Darling Downs 28 (L228) 399201 – Retrospective Fence Extension – PA21/804

| Submitter | No | Submitter Comments | Applicant Response | Officer Comment |
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| A399200 | 1 | <p>Submission:</p> <p>We are not in favour of the proposed extension of the existing colourbond fence on the boundary line between our property, being 26 Aquanita Rise, and our neighbours of 28 Aquanita Rise Darling Downs.</p> <p>We have requested it not be put there in the first place and then later for it to be removed. We are still waiting for that section of colourbond fence to be replaced with the original post and rail as was there before our neighbours damaged that post and rail fence in February 2021! We find it offensive that this has not yet happened and our request has been ignored twice. Our view of the trees has been blocked. For us it is very claustrophobic looking at this fencing from our lounge room and in addition to this, it is causing some anxiety. It is something we do not expect to be doing in this semi-rural area as it is designed to be an open area, with the area code of post and wire or post and rail. The fence in the meantime reflects the sun into our lounge room, very unpleasant to say the least. Also, privacy at that spot has never been an issue for us and we have never considered that to be an issue. So no, that is no excuse to just put up a tall fence right in front of our face! We did agree with our previous neighbour to put a fence in from the back boundary up to level with his house. (He already went further then agreed on btw) To extend this even further is not pleasant at all. Safety to our dwellings? There has never been any unsafe situation when there was a normal post and rail fence on that boundary. Another point...yes, we have a driveway. The driveway runs along the boundary line, about 1 to 1 Y, meters from said boundary. Again, this is no reason to put up a colourbond fence. It is not heavily used, just normal, like any domestic driveway. It poses no safety issue whatsoever.</p> <p>We have not been convinced that a colourbond fence needs to be there, on the contrary it needs to be removed. We cannot wait for it to go!</p> <p>There are young shrubs we have planted between our driveway and the boundary line. If our neighbours still have an issue with privacy, plant some more green shrubs along the post and rail fence on their side. That will be environmentally friendly and much more pleasant to the eye. It will give our neighbours their wanted privacy.</p> | No response was provided by the applicant. | Thank you for the submission. Officers have addressed the matters raised within this submission in the body of the Council Report. |