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## To Whom It May Concern,

I am writing as a resident of Clarkson street to express my opposition to the proposed establishment of an overdose prevention site in our community.

While I am not opposed to overdose prevention efforts in principle, I strongly believe that such services should be placed in areas with the appropriate infrastructure—such as near hospitals or specialized service hubs—rather than embedded in residential area, even if only temporary. This ensures that those in need can still access care without creating unintended consequences for established communities.

One of my primary concerns is the potential impact on safety in an area where people actively using substances may increase the risk of loitering, petty crime, or discarded needles in public spaces. This is especially evident in critical part of the downtown like Lorne Mews where the presence of drug users is already constant along the day while children walk to school, play in parks, and rely on a sense of security and community.

Additionally, property values will be negatively affected, and local businesses might experience decreased foot traffic if perceptions of safety decline further. Residents have invested in this community not only financially but emotionally, and changes that risk undermining neighbourhood well-being should be approached with great caution.

I urge decision-makers to consider alternative locations and to involve residents more actively in discussions about the placement and long-term management of such facilities.

Sincerely,  
**Lorenzo Lombardi**