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Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission to the review of the NSW Local Impacts Assessment (LIA) for poker machines.

The Local Impact Assessment process should be strengthened to include all measures of harm and detriment to communities. A great deal of financial and health harm results from gambling that is promoted by gambling machines that are deliberately designed to be addictive, and that means just about any modern poker machine!

Exceptions should not be allowed for some clubs to bypass parts of the LIA process

It is crazy that if a community wants to oppose a poker machine application, councils aren't allowed to include the devastating social impacts in their case against the proposal. It is the devastating social impacts of poker machines that should be at the top of the list for consideration!

I look forward to hearing recommendations for much more rigorous assessment of applications for more poker machines, so that their devastating impacts on the community are at least considered.

Yours sincerely, Graeme Costin [REDACTED]

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