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Dear neighbour,

Re: Barking dog

I am writing to you to let you know about an issue you may be unaware of with your dog/s. Unfortunately, your dog is barking a lot and the noise can be heard in the living areas of my house. This is becoming an issue and starting to impact both my lifestyle and the area's appeal.

The barking occurs:

- During the morning/daytime/evening/night
- When you leave the house, and the dog/s are left alone
- When you let the dog/s out in the early morning/late evening
- When someone walks past your property
- When I go out into my yard
- Other: _____

I'm not sure if you have also been approached by others in the neighbourhood who may also be affected by this.

I understand there are several reasons why dogs may bark and a number of ways to help prevent the barking becoming a nuisance to others.

Maitland City Council's website outlines some of the ways to help reduce barking. You can find out more here: **mait.city/barkingdogs**

If there is a way I can assist, please let me know. I am keen to resolve this in a polite and proactive manner and am sending you this letter as an alternative to raising a formal complaint.

Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

Kind regards,

Name: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____ Telephone: _____