Submission 93 – Rebecca M

I am a resident of Palmerston who has been living with the delivery drones for nearly two years now.

I am strongly opposed to the delivery drones because they are noisy, intrusive, they scare the birds and other animals and I have concerns for my privacy.

The drones are so loud I can hear them INSIDE my house even if I have the windows closed and music or the TV on.

At one point there was so many drones flying over that I decided to count them. There was 110 that flew over in just ten working days.

On numerous occasions I have seen different species of birds scatter in fright when the drones are coming over.

In order to make their deliveries, Wing has undertaken thousands of flight over reserves that are ecologically sensitive areas. Residents are not allowed to fly drones in the reserves so the wildlife can live in peace and quiet. For some reason these regulations don't apply when there is money to be made.

I think it's outrageous that people like me have to give up peace and quiet in our homes so that someone can order a coffee to be delivered to their house.

I am shocked and angry that the government has forced the drones on us. There was no consultation whatsoever with our community. The bonython community rejected the drones in their suburb and in spite of that, the drones have now been rolled out in parts of Belconnen and Gungahlin.