

Cathy Flynn

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We are writing because of our concern regarding the application of Charles Schwarzapfel to install an in-ground swimming pool on his property at 7/9 Maine Avenue on Smith Point. We know of neighbors who have voiced their very valid concerns, and rather than repeat them, we would like to submit the following:

We have been seasonal residents of Smith Point for close to 50 years, and recognize that it is one of the few neighborhoods of Nantucket that have maintained the character of old Nantucket, simple and in keeping with Nature. We know that there are many islanders who share this belief, and understand its importance for the island. Preserving that character has occasionally required watchfulness and action, and we believe that this is one of those times. An in-ground pool is completely out of character with our neighborhood. It would introduce a foreign element that could easily be used as a precedent for other in-ground pools, with all the noise generally connected with them, and the potential danger of an unfenced pool, changing the unpretentious nature of the Point. The Point has one of the most beautiful ocean beaches in America right at its doorstep, and an ideal family beach with generally calm waters in Madaket Harbor. We are puzzled by any feeling that there is a need on our Point for an additional place to swim.

We hope that you will consider the points raised by our neighbors and those raised in this letter in reaching your decision.

Respectfully submitted,

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