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RE: DA2020/1758 - 11 Lewis Street BALGOWLAH HEIGHTS NSW 2093

Dear Mr Bull,

I have three children attending Balgowlah Heights Public School on the Lewis Street Campus. What should be a short safe walk to school is, in fact, very hazardous due to the volume of traffic funnelling through surrounding streets at school drop off and pick up time.

On a good weather day, the traffic is slowed on Abbott Street as drivers negotiate the limited passing space with cars parked on both sides. On a bad weather day, the traffic is queued up all the way down Woodland Street.

The frustration drivers deal with during this busy period, unfortunately, leads to careless and illegal manoeuvres, potentially endangering pedestrians and cyclists on the way to or from school.

The school has implemented a lot of measures to improve the safety of children walking or riding bikes to school and reduce congestion, including a new pedestrian crossing on Abbott Street, introducing walking buses and recommending parents park further away from the school and walk. The positive effects of these efforts will be diminished by additional traffic. Any development around the school that would increase traffic in neighbouring streets, even the slightest, would only exacerbate the existing problems.

I object to this development.

Yours sincerely,
Deanna Byrne