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RE: DA2021/2567 - 60 Federal Parade BROOKVALE NSW 2100

Re DA2021/2567

I strongly object to St Augustine's College increasing their enrollment as per application. From my experience the school is already at if not beyond maximum capacity!

The gridlock twice a day is horrendous and can cause huge time delays for local residents. Worse still is the behavior of the cars related to St Augustine's. Firstly the parents doing drop-off and pick/up consistently break many a school zone rule with a seemingly overwhelming desire to drop/pick up their child at the gate, and I mean quite literally AT the gate! We are talking double parking, speeding, u-turns, pulling into driveways to turn around, pulling up in bus bays, and perhaps the most dangerous pulling up on or just before/after a pedestrian crossing!

All of this is particularly dangerous as the roads are narrow, there are numerous large boats and caravans are left in our streets, and most importantly there are children of other schools trying to navigate through this area!

If this is the normal accepted occurrence now how much worse is it going to get with 400 more students?! Some small ugly measley car parks are not going to suffice! I doubt the entitled behavior of this schools drivers is likely to improve with further enrollments.

Then there are the contingent of p-plate drivers. We as residents are understandably wary of a lack of driving experience but the main concern is the surrounding streets filling up with parked student cars and we residents and our visitors regularly struggle to find a park. We certainly do not need anymore!

I also strongly object to making residential lots into car parks. So ugly and not in keeping.

If there is sufficient demand for catholic boys education a new school could be started in a more appropriate location. It is so important to consider your location environment roads and your surrounding community when making such decisions.

Thank you
Pip Bakker