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RE: DA2018/1924 - Forest Way FRENCHS FOREST NSW 2086

I am a home owner and a resident in the area for over the last 20 years. The traffic increase in the residential streets Altona Crsc, Deakin St, Bentley Ave and Brown Street has intensified over the last 15 years immensely. At Bentley Ave, which in the past has been a quiet street, we now face constant fast moving traffic of cars and trades man's trucks from early morning hours up until late afternoon hours of each week day and on Saturdays. It is often difficult to leave my driveway as cars are lined up along the whole of Bentley Ave going in southerly and northerly direction. The noise and pollution has intensified. Despite these changes during the last 20 years we had NO traffic controlling mechanism put in place by the council to keep us safe. It is dangerous for our kids and elderly to cross Bentley Ave as cars keep coming from both directions at high speed throughout the day with no pedestrian crossing in place on the street. Over the last 20 years of living in this area I had observed several car collisions on Bentley Ave as the street is not wide enough to cope with the traffic load. It is evident that already over the last 20 years the traffic conditions and the lack of appropriate infrastructure measures had negatively impacted our area and our lives. It is expected that the above proposed right turn from the new ForestWay Shopping Centre onto Forestway will seriously and immensely aggravate the existing traffic problems in the residential streets. There has been no traffic modelling or investigations done on the surrounding local streets up to date nor has the council put in place nor proposed traffic controlling measures to cope with the expected further traffic increases resulting from the proposed Forestway Shopping Centre lights right hand turn onto Forestway.

I strongly oppose this part of the proposal.