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RE: DA2019/1340 - 100 / 0 Meatworks Avenue OXFORD FALLS NSW 2100

I object to DA2019/1340 for the proposed development at 100/0 Meatworks Avenue, Oxford Falls Road, Oxford Falls 2100, on the grounds of the significant adverse congestion and children safety impacts of the traffic movements of the proposed development on the Oxford Falls Grammar School which caters for children from Kindergarten to Year 12. The existing walking paths, road crossing from Oxford Falls Road and Dreadnought Road are inadequate and risk levels would materially increase if this development was to proceed. My young daughter attends the school. The traffic, transport and parking assessment provided states that the proposed development will not present any adverse traffic implications and traffic-related environmental impacts, which is clearly incorrect. The traffic reports are based on a traffic survey which was conducted on a single day at the traffic lights at the Wakehurst Parkway/Dreadnought Road junction. However, the bottleneck in the road system is at the Oxford Falls Road/Dreadnought Road junction. No mention is made in either report of the congestion at the Oxford Falls Road/Dreadnought Road junction at school drop off/pick up times and the up to 17 buses + parents' cars trying to negotiate this junction between 3pm and 3.45pm, and similar numbers in the morning. The only access to the site is via Oxford Falls Road past OFGS. There is no pedestrian crossing for school children at this intersection and it is very dangerous already with existing traffic levels. Traffic at morning and afternoon peak is often backed up Oxford Falls Road towards Iris St with both school traffic and cars avoiding the Wakehurst Parkway/Frenchs Forest Road.

In the previous DA for this site (DA2017/0739) the Northern Beaches Council's Traffic Engineer Response stated "The site is located in close proximity of the Oxford Falls Grammar School and any increase in number of trucks travelling on Dreadnought Road during the school's AM and PM peak hours "8am-9.30am and 2.30pm-4pm Monday to Friday" will have a significant adverse impact on the school and is not supported."

In addition, The development of a significant industrial facility is not in keeping with the stated council objective in the WLEP 2000: "the present character of the Oxford Falls Valley locality will remain unchanged"

I consider that the current proposal would have a significant adverse impact on the school, children's safety and on the surrounding local road network, and on these grounds I lodge my objection to this proposal.