
Sent: 27/11/2017 4:20:22 PM
Subject: Re Notice of Proposed Development No: Mod 2017/0071 - Modification of Development Consent DA2011/0446
Attachments: Gmail - Concerns re traffic on Headland Road.htm; Online_Submission_-_Bacon.pdf;

To whom it may concern,

I write in relation to the above mentioned DA for St Lukes school, 210 Headland Road Dee Why.

I am dismayed that this application is still being put forward unamended and furthermore that the RMS consider the existing infrastructure to be adequate. I do wonder at what time of the year the RMS conducted their study and hope that it was not from post graduation in October onwards when the Year 12's (the majority of the P-platers) do not attend school as they are studying for their HSC's. If the study was conducted at this time then the results are unrepresentative of true traffic volumes.

I **attach** the original objection letter from my husband dated 18/04/17 and also an email sent today to the school office with regards to school traffic.

Regards

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Concerns re traffic on Headland Road

1 message

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To: office@stlukes.nsw.edu.au

27 November 2017 at 15:43

To whom it may concern,

I am writing to you as I am becoming increasingly concerned of the likelihood of an accident outside of St Lukes school due to the volume of traffic and the practises of parents/carers when dropping off and picking up children on Headland Road. In all honesty I would not be able to live with myself if (when?) such an accident does occur and I had not voiced my concerns, hence this correspondence.

Over the past school year it appears to have become common practise for parents to drop their children off on the no parking zone on the bend of Headland Road opposite the school bus bay and then, as the parent/carer either drives off or sits in the car and watches, the child has to navigate crossing the busy road between buses, delivery vehicles, people looking for parking spots and general peak hour traffic.

Last week I drove out of my driveway at around 8.20am carefully checking the road and traffic as it is always so busy. I paid particular attention to the oncoming traffic from the right as I was intending to turn left. After waiting for the road to be clear I started to pull out of my driveway turning left only to find that a car had now parked immediately to my left to drop a child off at school. As I then navigated between the car and a bus that had then started pulling out of the bus bay past another bus the child ran out in front of the car that had dropped him off and into my path causing me to brake sharply. This really alarmed me as had I momentarily been checking my rear view mirror or looking in a side mirror I could have hit the child. Thankfully I didn't – the child stepped back and I continued although I was shaken when thinking about what could have happened.

I understand that the younger children are dropped off in Tango Avenue drop off zone but why the middle and senior school children have to be dropped off at the school doorstep I fail to understand unless it is because they (or their parents/carers) are running late? Surely however it is better to arrive 5 minutes late after a short walk than to not arrive at all due to an accident?

With the continued drive for increased pupil numbers it concerns me greatly that any further increase in the volume of traffic around the surrounding area will only serve to exacerbate the likelihood of an accident occurring very soon.

I understand that the actions of those outside the school are difficult for you to exercise control over however I do hope that you are able to communicate the above concerns as appropriate.

I also hope that you understand that I will also provide a copy of this email correspondence to Council in relation to my response to DA2011/0446.

Regards

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Sent: 18/04/2017 7:52:35 AM
Subject: Online Submission

18/04/2017

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RE: Mod2017/0071 - 210 Headland Road DEE WHY NSW 2099

RE: Mod 2017/0071 - 210 Headland Road, Dee Why, NSW, 2099

I strongly object to the proposed increase in St Luke's Grammar School student numbers, from 884 to 1092 and associated growth in teacher and associated staff numbers.

Background

- o More students, staff and teachers, but no increase in car parking space.
- o If student number increase from 884 (the maximum number as per the 2011 development condition) to 1092, vehicle numbers could increase by up to 208 per day
- o This includes an increase of 32 Year 12 student increase (from 83 to 115), resulting in up to an additional 32 parked cars
- o Staff numbers (presently 119) could increase by approximately 20 resulting in an additional 20 additional vehicle movements and parked cars
- o Inaccurate Traffic and Parking Assessment Report statements regarding existing parking capability and P Plate parking, combined with understated projected additional traffic ('60 vehicles per hour dropping off' and '31 vehicles per hour picking up') is misleading

Key objection reasons include:

Traffic Impact

- o Congestion on Headland Road during the drop off and pick up periods is currently dangerous, a major safety issue and is largely out of control
- o During school times, Headland Road and associated arterial routes are gridlocked, residential driveways blocked, no parking zones ignored and local residents have been verbally abused
- o I am surprised that there have not been more student and staff casualties reflective of the behaviours of parents and children alike
- o Come and witness for yourself the issues presented by the present pupil and staff numbers at the school during drop off and pick up time

Parking Impact

- o Additional students equates to additional teachers and auxiliary staff wanting to park in the area - the school can't cope with the present parking demands and the local streets are beyond full
- o The school incorrectly states that P plate drivers are restricted, come and count the

P plate drivers, or just witness them parking at the beginning and leaving at the end of the school day, u-turning across solid white lines or parking adjacent to solid white lines pushing drivers to pass illegally.

- o Local residents also have to endure blocked drives, double parking and damage to property caused by parents reversing or traversing into private drives.

- o The school needs to provide appropriate parking, ensure legal parking is enforced and P plate drivers restricted with respect to present staff and pupil levels before considering increased numbers.

Environmental and Quality of Life Impact

- o Local residents are unable to safely leave their houses during drop off and pick up times (long queues of cars, illegally parked cars or blocked drives)

- o Damage to property is experienced reflective of continuous use of our driveway by vehicles illegally u-turning or manoeuvring (staff, students and trades)

- o Local residents visitors, delivery personnel and trade persons are unable to park near destination homes reflective of every local street full of P plate student cars

- o Local residents have to constantly pick up litter and debris dropped by Students or has been jettisoned from cars dropping students off

St Luke's Grammar School has been a permanent building site for many years resulting in local residents having to endure the following with no consideration from the school;

- Constant construction noise and disruption, including vehicle movements utilising reversing alarms at 2am in the morning and discourteous trade persons

- Litter

- Blocked drives

- 24/7 dusty homes, dusty windows, dusty washing, dusty cars and dusty possessions

- Trades working from 7am to 6 or 7 pm 6 and sometimes 7 days a week. When these extended working hours are reported to Council, residents are informed that the builder/school are within their rights to disturb our evenings and weekends.

The school needs to focus on the purchase of adjoining land or buildings to facilitate growth and development through increased parking provision. Increased pupil and staff numbers cannot be sustained without additional parking being delivered and vehicle management processes being instigated to manage the existing issues before they consider any increases in staff and student numbers.

Reflective of the above serious safety concerns, comprehensive congestion issues, illegal parking / driving behaviours and associated environmental impact this Modification must be refused.