Forensic Pathology and Coroners Court Lidcombe Application SSD16_7545

Individual Objection

I request a revisiting of the traffic plan for the site to develop solutions that better address the impact on residential streets and takes into consideration current demands for on street parking, bus traffic and wayfinding.

I have reviewed the SEE, Architectural Plans and Traffic Impact Statements and make the following comments regarding my concerns.

Traffic Impacts

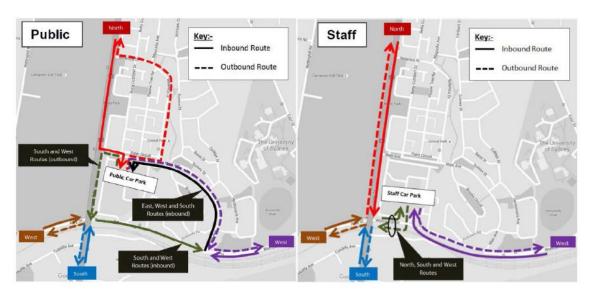


Plate 7.4 Assumed Access and Egress

The Traffic report does not take into account the level of usage and congestion along Main Ave and Botanica Drive that will be impacted by the proposed development. Currently on street parking is unrestricted and allowed on both sides of all streets and this has caused numerous issues and concerns for safety in the community.

Botanica Drive is used for parking by residents on both sides and this has led to a number of safety concerns as cars attempt to pass and is particularly unsafe when buses are travelling along the route.

The site is used by USYD Cumberland Campus students to park on Main Ave near Weroona Rd during academic semester and the increase in parking pressure due to new and planned development of apartments will further increase pressure on these narrow roads.

No mention has been made of the bus movement along Botanica Drive and Main Ave and how this will be affected by the new entrance on Main Ave.

Consideration needs to be given to the parking restrictions that should be imposed along Main Ave and Botanica Drive that will allow for free access of local, visitor and bus traffic should the proposed development go ahead.

Wayfinding

The entrance to Botanica Estate is clearly articulated by a sandstane feature wall that is lit at night.



Plate 2.5 View of the Site from Joseph Street



This will cause considerable confusion if the entrance for the public for the FPCC is along Main Ave rather than Joseph St.

Site signage and wayfinding is poor and would encourage excessive use of residential streets. The large site identification signage is along Joseph St and not near the entrance on Main Ave. While this may be desirable for main traffic routes it will lead to confusion as to the entrance. It is most likely that traffic from the South will go past the Weroona Rd traffic lights and turn into Botanica Drive at the next set of lights.

Consideration needs to be given to signage along Joseph St south before the intersection.

Complaints

Currently it is proposed that notification for complaints is delivered to properties within 40 m of the boundary which is inadequate. The whole of the Botanica estate should be provided with details of how to make a complaint as construction will effect beyond this area.

Noise and traffic issues for the majority of the estate will all be impacted by the construction as they will be using the same access roads. This includes Fergusson Lodge and Studdy MS Site.