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Name of Application: New High School In Bungendore

Application Number: SSD-14394209

OBJECTION TO THE PROPOSAL ATTACHED



I would like my personal details to be withheld from publication.

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I am writing to lodge my objection to the proposed site for the new high school in Bungendore.

A high school for Bungendore is warranted given the projected population growth. But the site needs to be carefully considered to meet the growth we are already seeing in our town. Planning for this proposed site appears to be rushed and not fully considered from a bigger picture perspective. The proposed site would result in losing all that is appealing about Bungendore.

The high school would be better placed on the outskirts of the village rather than dumped right in the middle. The proposed location will take away from the lovely village which is open to the entire community and tourists. It will ruin the lovely community aspect.

The high school is essentially being "squashed" in to the centre of town. The proposed 2 storey buildings are not in line with the current street scape of the centre of town, and Mick Sherd oval will become a shared space rather than a community space.

Another objection to the proposed site is that it will mean the closure of Majara Street, one of the main access roads from Elmslea Estate, to the primary school. Already there is an enormous amount of traffic in this area at 3.10 when parents come to pick up primary children. As well as four buses lined up outside the school, all car parking spaces are taken within walking distance of the primary school. Add high school traffic to this and there will be chaos and I fear even an accident involving a primary school student.

The current plans were made by people who have no knowledge of Bungendore or of how much we value our park. Surely it's time to listen to public opinion and start again with a different location.