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Director, Social and Infrastructure Assessments, NSW Planning Department of Planning and Environment, Locked Bag 5022 PARRAMATTA NSW 2124

## Attn: Brent Devine and Karen Harragon

Dear Sir Madam,

I would like to oppose the development of the new school at Charmhaven.

As an avid bushwalker and often go to this area and enjoy the quietness whilst admiring nature. There are a number of protected species in this area such as the Wyong Daisy, Various Orchids (believe they are terrestrial) and the Regent Honeyeaters.

I've noticed there are many bushland areas being destroyed recently to allow housing developments. I understand the Central Coast Council is in financial distress but that doesn't mean they can get themselves out of trouble by building more and more houses, when it's not sustainable.

The wildlife in this area is wonderful! During the summer months I see lots of kangaroos, wallables and possums in this area. It's fantastic to see after the 2019 fires. I've also seen and heard numerous gliders.

I know that when Rosella Rise Warnervale was built, many locals, including myself, expressed concerns about the wildlife and where they would relocate to. There's a huge development at Morisset (where the golf course was) and the new industrial area out near Sparks Road.

The development in this area is happening too quickly and there doesn't appear to any planning or thought process regarding the poor animals. There are many protected species (both plants and animals) in this area the over-development needs to stop. We don't need another school in the area – especially not a private one. The amount of land they plan to destroy for this development is ludicrous!

I feel there needs to be more discussion about this proposed development before it's approved and Central Coast Council should **not** be part of those discussions, as they are just trying get more money so they can dig themselves out of the hole they are in.

Sincerely yours Jeanette Hendy