

Jane Flanagan - Online Submission from Margaret Baines (other)

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Dear Sir/Madam,

While I am not opposed to the development of the stated farm land for residential development, I do disagree with some of the findings in the reports and would like consideration given to a number of points on traffic in the area.

TRAFFIC INCREASES

It would appear that the report, while making considerations for the immediate neighbours, has not looked at the traffic impact of residents further down Stott Street. My property is close to the corner of Stott and Skyline Drive. My children, neighbouring children and residents play in the street and walk up and down Skyline Drive to access school buses and for exercise. Council has previously declined to install footpaths in the area, stating the road is too steep and so pedestrians are forced to use the roadway. While there are a limited number of residents who use these roads as the estate currently ends in a cul de sac, safety has not been a major issue. An increase in traffic from 80 odd residences, most having two cars each and having no immediate relationship with the people living along this road will make this intersection very dangerous.

While the two dimensional plans and Google maps give an accurate view of the sub division, it does not indicate the severity of the slope on Skyline Drive and Stott St.

There are no bus shelters along Piggabeen Rd for the upto twenty primary and secondary students who wait for buses at the corner of Skyline and Piggabeen Rd. These children wait on the side of the road. The increase in traffic will also be a safety issue to children waiting for buses.

While I have no technical qualifications in Traffic Management, I feel that my experience of 12 plus years of using Kennedy Drive would allow me some insights that laying a black tape accross the road and counting cars would not. I disagree that Kennedy Drive is not at capacity. The rate of population growth in this area has not been catered for in infastructure. Kennedy Drive is a standstill in times of King Tides and localised flooding. In any amount of rain it is slow and means driving through brackish water VERY SLOWLY.

I believe maintaining the cul de sac at the top of Stott St, instead of through traffic at the round a bout, will halve the amount of new traffic in Stott St and should have a speed limit of 40k/hr, and so reducing the risk to pedestrians and existing residents leaving their properties.

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