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Mss Karen Harragon, Director
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Dear Mss Harragon

Re Application SSD 7919 Loretto School Redevelopment Concept and Stage 1 Plan

We the owners of SP 6699 would like to put on record our objection to the proposed development plan submitted by the Loretto School for their supposed 50 year plan in terms of redevelopment of the school.

Our primary concern is the additional adverse effect the increased traffic will generate from the additional students the report refers to being accepted by the school, to assist in paying for the new buildings. The situation is that while students are either being dropped off from school in the morning or picked up in the afternoon the traffic on both Carabella Streets and Elemang Avenue becomes gridlocked, making access and egress to our apartment block extremely difficult and often a painfully slow process. On irregular dates and times this chaos is revisited upon Carabella Street when large buses collect and return students from excursions.

We note with some alarm that the scheme alludes to an increase in the number of students but makes no mention of how many there will be. We believe that if the school is serious about their future planning they ought to have gone some way to address the issue of students being dropped at and fetched from the school within their grounds. This could be done by carving out an area on the Elemang Avenue side of the school to facilitate both dropping off and fetching of students.

Surely the state government can insist that for the development to be considered it address the issues of the traffic problems generated by the school. We note that the submission has been taken as the value of a supposed 50 year plan in order to make the amount for the work sufficient for the proposal to be submitted as a development of State significance. This appears to be a contrivance used to circumvent the power of the North Sydney Council in the decision making process and to allow for it to be lodged directly to the State Government.

We implore whoever is involved in the decision making process, to take the traffic issue into consideration when assessing the application and try to see that the situation is made better and not worse.

Yours Faithfully



Secretary (Allan Bligh OAM)
Owners Corporation SP 6699