

To whom it may concern,

I write representing our business Odgers and McClelland Exchange Stores at 81 Jenkins Street, Nundle. Our property is an immediate neighbour to the two proposed transport routes, Nundle Bypass and Nundle Loop in the Hills of Gold Wind Farm Amended Development Application.

Our business objects to the proposed Hills of Gold Wind Farm and Amended Development Application impacts to the heritage and rural character of Nundle and surrounds.

The Amended DA does not adequately address the Traffic and Transport impact on the heritage and rural character of Nundle and Hanging Rock villages and surrounding roads:

Lindsays Gap Rd
Garoo Rd, Garoo
Nundle Rd, Nemingah, Piallamore, Dungowan, Bowling Alley Point, Nundle
Oakenville St, Nundle
Old Hanging Rock Rd, Nundle
Barry Rd, Hanging Rock
Morrison's Gap Rd, Hanging Rock
Forest Way, Hanging Rock
Happy Valley Rd, Nundle
River Rd, Nundle
Jenkins St, Nundle
Crawney Rd, Nundle and Crawney Pass
Timor Rd, Timor
Wallabadah Creek Rd, Wallabadah
Basins Creek Rd, Wallabdah

Our business is located in a heritage listed timber and iron building and as custodians we value the history of the building. We participate in the annual Tamworth Regional Heritage Festival and have been recognised for our contribution for Building Conservation twice in the Biennial Tamworth Regional Heritage Awards.

The heritage character and history of Odgers and McClelland Exchange Stores is central to the essence of our business and is highly valued by our customers Australia wide.

In addition to our strong and loyal local customers we have a dedicated following across Australia with 12.6k followers on Instagram, 3.9k followers on Facebook and a digital newsletter distribution of more than 4,000.

We have been fortunate to be featured several times on the state government @ourregionalnsw socials.

We object to the proponent's proposal to build a Nundle Bypass private road across the paddocks immediately neighbouring the rear of our property. It is not a Nundle Bypass at all. It is located within Nundle and utilises main Nundle roads. We have a house designed for the sloped land at the rear of our property that we intend to build for our family's future use.

It is distressing to hear how our neighbours have been treated by the proponent's representatives during the planning of the Nundle Bypass private road. It has caused stress, anger, and confusion.

The proponent is not transparent that blade access is required for the life of the project, whether that is 25-35 years or more. The evolution and acceptance of energy technology will determine that. We do not accept the impact of a permanent temporary raised private road neighbouring our property to transport Oversize Overmass wind turbine blades.

We do not accept the proposed Nundle Loop route that would require restricted parking on the left lanes of Oakenville and Jenkins Streets for blade deliveries. This would limit our access to essential services such as Nundle Post Office that we visit five days a week for our online sales, and receiving stock. It would also limit customers' capacity to park outside our store. This can be the difference between a customer stopping, or not. It would inconvenience customers with limited mobility.

The parking restrictions would inconvenience all residents and visitors accessing essential services from the public school and pre-school to the health service, and recreation facilities such as the swimming pool, Riverside Walk, Riverside Park, and Nundle Recreation Ground. It is not transparent how far along Jenkins Street the parking restrictions would apply. Potentially they could inconvenience all residents along Jenkins Street accessing residential properties or essential services including Tamworth Regional Council Nundle office and Library, All Saints' Anglican Church, and Nundle Court House Museum.

We do not accept the proposed removal of street trees associated with Nundle Bypass or Nundle Loop routes. This is an insult to the legacy of past generations and reduces the amenity of the local residents and visitors.

Hills of Gold Wind Farm has had a significant impact on our business income as we have dedicated time to research, attending meetings and writing correspondence for nearly five years. This comes at the cost of time dedicated to our business.

It has impacted our motivation to volunteer for and attend community events.

There is no acceptable transport route to proposed Hills of Gold Wind Farm through our small villages, rural roads, Crown Land, creeks, rivers, and timbered mountainsides.

Please recommend rejection of this proposal.