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Thank you for your consideration.

Yours Sincerely

Year 3 student

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To Whom It May Concern,

These trees are a memorial of the soldiers who have given their lives for this country. You might not even make it over the Oberon Mount and these trees are home to possums, birds and other wildlife. You haven't done a study on the traffic.

They are good to look at and nice to drive through.

If you cut down these trees, O'Connell won't be welcoming to wildlife like possums and birds. O'Connell will not look like O'Connell anymore. They are shady, their beautiful to look at, why do you want to cut down the trees?

The trees won't grow back. It will be a habitat loss to many animals if you cut down the trees. There won't be a beautiful pathway of trees. Do you really want to cut down these trees that are over 100 years old? Beautiful trees that were planted for the soldiers who died in war.

Thank you for your consideration.

Yours sincerely,

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To whom it may concern,

A delicious coffee fills my stomach as I stare into the blank, empty paddocks where beautiful trees used to stand tall and proud in the beautiful O'Connell Avenue.

Imagine one of your loved ones die fighting for your country and they only thing left to remember them is a tree. You are considering cutting down these desert ash trees that remind us so dearly of our loved ones, all for the transportation of the wind turbines.

To make the matters worse the trucks carrying the turbines aren't even guaranteed to make it to their destination, so after cutting down all the O'Connell Avenue Trees, it would all be for nothing.

Habitat loss and losing some of the most beautiful and old things that ultimately make our village in O'Connell would break the hearts of most, so that your company can save some money by transporting using truck instead of helicopter to place some wind turbines while ruining our beautiful village. Please research thoroughly before you go ahead.

Thank you for your consideration.

Yours sincerely,

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To Whom it May Concern,

Please do not cut back the beautiful trees in the O'Connell Avenue because they have been planted there to serve as a reminder about the people who have gone to war.

They are over 100 years old, and we have ancestors that have had those trees planted to respect, them so please respect them too. Not only do they serve as a reminder, but they are also shelters for the birds, bugs, and sometimes native mammals.

If you're trying to help make reusable energy to save the planet why would you want to cut back these trees. You don't even know that the wind turbine pieces will fit through the winding road of Oberon Mount. I'm sure it will never be the same with the trees, the leaves and the reminder gone, even if the Avenue was replanted it still wouldn't be the same.

Imagine if you lived in O'Connell and you always see the parrots nestled in the trees or giving shade to a Crimson Rosella while feeding on grass seeds then all of a sudden the trees aren't there. So please reconsider and go on a different route so we can keep seeing these beautiful trees.

Thank you for your consideration.

Yours sincerely, Year 5 Student

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What if your loved one dies fighting for this country to keep you safe a tree to remember them is planted but it gets cut down.

If you cut down these trees you still have to make it up the mountain to Oberon and in parts there is barely enough space for 2 cars to make it through, so how do you expect a big truck with a 5 meter thing on the back to make it? You would have to close the road for at least 3 hours.

Shade, home, peace, these are some of the things these trees provide. What if your home were to be torn down with your children inside just because someone wanted to cut corners.

These trees have been around all my life. My grandad grew up along side these trees he passed away before I was born. My great grandad helped plant these trees after 2 of his 3 brothers died. In WW2 one of his four nephews died who served. These represent so much more than something that can be removed because they are in your way.

Thank you for your consideration,

Yours sincerely,

Year 6 student

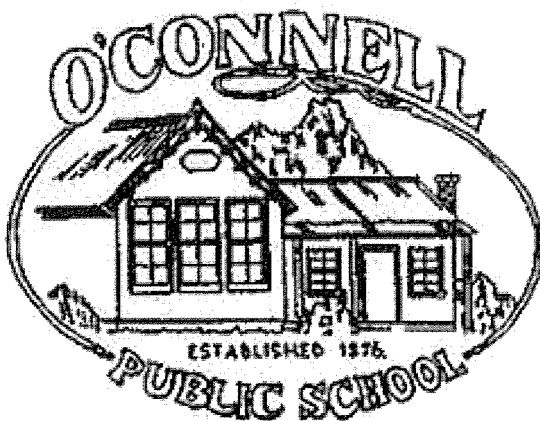
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Thank you for your consideration.

Yours sincerely,

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Please do not chop down the trees for turbines. The trees you are chopping down are important to us for various reasons. Such as memorial reasons, fresh air and animal's homes. Throwing away the trees will be like throwing away the respect for our soldiers. Ruining the most beautiful thing in O'Connell will break the hearts of many, and a warm coffee and a cheese toasty from O'Connell café won't taste the same anymore.

The trees were planted to commemorate our special soldiers in WW1. Our loved ones. And you are considering chopping them down. Instead of crisp air on a Saturday morning acknowledging the proudly standing trees. We'll have nothing to look at. Nothing to remember.

Imagine those people who planted the trees. Imagine how their relatives feel about them being erased from history. The trucks won't make it up to mount Oberon anyway, so that means that our precious, sacred and gorgeous trees all cut down for nothing.

If these are cut down now, then the next generation won't get the chance to acknowledge the delicate, delightful and old trees.

Thank you for your consideration.

Yours sincerely,

Two Year 4 students.

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The trees that you are planning to cut down were planted there in memory of the young men who served Australia. These trees have been standing for more than 100 hundred years and you're going to put it to an end.

And how are you going to get up the mountain? Not even half caring and the trucks have to carry 50 tonnes already. And I'm not even going to begin on how many wind turbines you are taking up the mountain.

And habitat loss, injured animals and plenty of dead birds and people going crazy from wind turbine syndrome like headaches, nightmares and more. Take helicopters it will make it easier.

So please don't cut down our trees they are very important to the O'Connell community. I'm begging you don't cut down the trees

Thank you for your consideration

Yours sincerely,

Year six student

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Please don't cut down the Avenue of Trees, for they were planted in a memorial to remember those who gave their lives for us in war. Why would you even consider destroying something that is over 100 years old?

Mrs Forsyth, my principal would be devastated if the trees were destroyed because everyday to get to school, she drives through the Avenue. She loves looking up at the over hanging branches and gazing into the lush trees if they were gone there would only be tree stumps by the side of the road, and how would that look?

If the Avenue of trees were cut down what would that mean for the animals? Deforestation and tree-clearing is the major cause of habitat loss for many threatened and endangered animal species. Please don't cut down the avenue of trees they mean so much to our community and if you take away those trees you take away a part of our village.

Thank you for the consideration,

Your sincerely,

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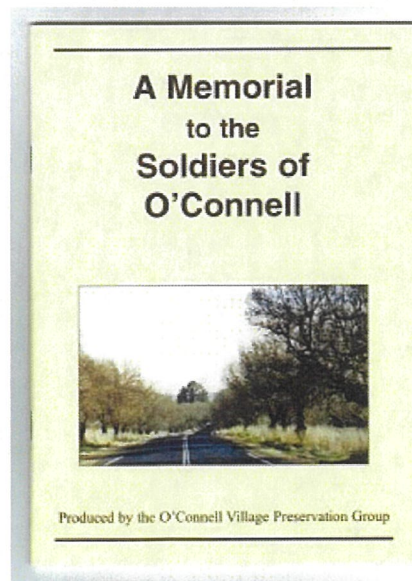
I heard the story of you cutting down some of our trees. Now you probably think that our trees are nothing, but to the O'Connell community these trees are special. These trees represent 120 Desert Ash trees planted in the period of 1925 to 1927 as a World War One Memorial to residents. The existing avenue was established with trees raised from seed.

These awful windmills will devastate the beauty and glory of the avenue plus you won't make it up Oberon Mount. Maybe next time you give us a disgusting proposal look at the route first.

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To Whom it May Concern

Please do not cut the Oconnel avenue of trees down because they are beautiful sight. A local soldier planted them there to remember the soldiers who died. We do not want the wind turbines coming through O'Connell and we do not want the trees to be torn down at the avenue of trees.

Ms Forsyth my principal said she would not like the trees to be cut down because on her way to school she admires the beauty of the wonderful trees. Please do not drive your truck through the Avenue of trees. These trees have been standing tall for over 120 years and they are here to remember the fallen soldiers who fought for our country in WW1 and if you cut them down you will be cutting down a symbol of greatness and a memorial.

I watch the beautiful avocado coloured ash trees on my way to school. They are fun to look at and special. To see those trees be cut down would make me, my family, and the whole O'Connell community devastated and in tears. I asked all my friends how they would feel if the trees were cut down. "I would be disappointed and disgusted." One spoke. "Definitely would be upset and mortified!" The other one said.

Birds live in the trees. Possums live under the trees. This is why you shouldn't cut them down Many animals call these trees home. If you cut down these wonderful trees, the animals would have nowhere to live. Would you like this to happen to you? Would you like to not have a home?

Thank you for your consideration,

Yours sincerely,

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To whom it may concern,

Endless plains of space, useless, never to be used again. Just a short drive away from Essington, Essington is now covered in thousands of wind turbines, turbines that could have been just 2-3 km away and then would not have been outrageous, poorly planned toys destined to break in just 20 short years. The impact this has on everyone's life is disgraceful.

Sadness overwhelms me, daily drives to school ruined by the cruel chainsaws ripping away at the beautiful trees lining the road. Over 100 years old the Desert Ash Trees were planted to honor the fallen soldiers of World War 1. Soldiers who died for what we all have today. But you cut it all down, just to get stuck on one of the steepest mountains in Australia. Like come on surely you could do some research before you cut down sacred trees.

My head pounds in time with my heartbeat, thump, thump, thump. An endless walk-through hell. Every night I just stare at the ceiling, wrapped in a blanket of pain. my back hurts, my head hurts, black bags sag beneath my eyes. I cannot remember a time when it was not like this, when those white towers were not standing there ruining my life blade by blade. "I can't sleep... I I don't know what I'm going to do" Jhon Zakula said while preparing his car for bed. Imagine having to sleep in your car just because of a giant spinning fan.

So, I beg you please don't cut down those trees, and please don't put those wind turbines anywhere near residential areas. You don't know the destruction you're causing while you just sit in your office disrespecting the soldier who gave you your freedom.

Thank you for your consideration.

Yours sincerely,

Year 6 student

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To Whom It May Concern,

Those trees hold the memory of the soldiers who gave their lives away for our country. And the poor animals who don't get a say in this. Besides you haven't done a traffic study either so you might not even be able to get up the mount! This is outrageous, pathetic, heartbreaking and unjust.

The trees won't grow back if you trim them too short. This is just horrible that you would replace beautiful, wonderful and natural trees for ugly humming windmills. That is just disgusting. National geographic states: "trees turn carbon dioxide into beautiful clean air".

The avenue of trees is there to Honor the fallen soldiers of World War 1. It is just horrifying that you would even consider this. This is horrible, disgusting, heartbreaking. Really, it's not much different to digging up someone's grave who was over 100 years old. How would you feel if you were over 100 years old and you got cut down to get replaced by a bunch of ugly white tall things.

If the Avenue of trees was cut down what would this mean to the animals? DEATH! How could you do this to the beautiful animals and the trees? They haven't done anything to you, so why cut them down? This is bad, just think about it. A bunch of dead stumps would look bad too. This is heart breaking and it needs to be stopped.

Thank you for your consideration,

Yours sincerely,

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To whom it may concern

Cold wind howling on a dark thinking how much damage the wind turbines will do to our beautiful land. Watching those trees thinking what those soldiers did for our country. It brings tears to my eyes knowing that they might cut down the beautiful trees that make history.

Its one of the most beautiful sights seeing those trees when you're having a bad day. And the wind turbines might not even make it up the mountain. and it's a waste of money its millions for one turbine.

Why would they cut the trees down just use solar energy. The discussion continues with all different thoughts.

Most of the kids and adults would rather keep the beautiful trees. For many reasons They love the sight and the trees. Disgust,emotion,anger fills my body. When I heard Jenolan caves is involved. The wind turbines only last for 20 years That's pathetic! When the trees are 100+ years. Why bother cutting down the trees?.

Don't cut down the trees! The protesters repeat multiple times. The bolding eyes overwhelm the truck drivers. Regret fills the truck driver. They're. That's does the job. The roaring protesters Couldn't ask for anything more. Have you watched the lorax?

Thank you for your consideration. Your sincerely. Year 4 student

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To whom it may concern,

Please don't cut those trees down because some of them are over 100 years old. These trees are a memorial for soldiers who have died in World War 1. Some of the pieces of the turbines can be up to 100 metres long and might not even make it up the mountains.

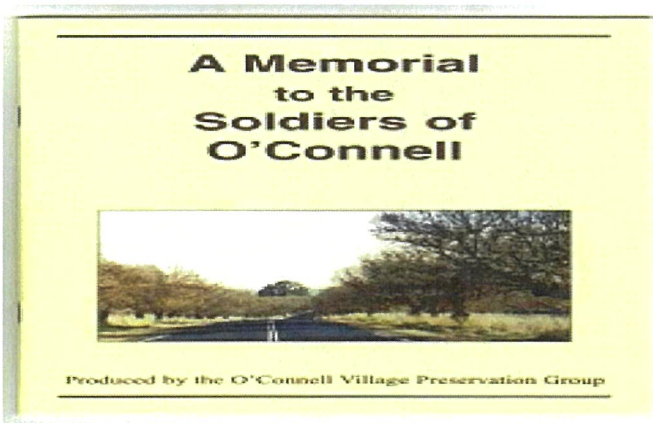
One tree can make 6,600 kilograms of oxygen. Not when its cut down. 5 of the trees have already been mysteriously, so don't cut down more. Soldiers who have fought and died are in memory at this site. Plus, there's other ways to get there without cutting down trees that are over 100 years old and in memory of soldiers who have fought in World War 1. Think of a nice sunny day. There's a light breeze and the band is playing. "And now for the 1 minute of silence" says the man. There's Poppies gently flowing. We place poppies at the site. We can't do that when the trees are cut down. it's injustice to cut these down. Pathetic, injustice, and outrageous. I mean, you haven't even done a traffic study! Your windmills are going to fall over within 2 decades anyways.

And apparently, you're going to wreck Jenolan Caves as well! A world heritage listed place where now they're going to cut down the trees and replace them with whitepoles that can be up to 240m with a horrible sound. That will just wreck it. I'm a supporter of renewable energy. Just not when you must cut down trees. Just consider the impact to the community when you cut those trees down. So please don't cut down those trees. Have you seen the lorax?

Please respect our soldiers who fought for our freedom. I love driving down that road and seeing those trees. It just wouldn't be the same with no trees. Think of all the things trees give us, air, wildlife, a nice view! Plus, there's other ways to transport those pieces. You can do it by chopper, or you can just drive another way. So please don't cut down those trees. And if you do watch out for the lorax!

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OqvD4NC-s9E>

yours sincerely OCPS year 4 student.



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The sun rises we all meet at the Avenue of Trees. All the community gather next to the desert ash trees for many services that we value. Next year this will be no longer. Thanks to massive trucks coming through, you would have to trim the trees.

The animals come to O'Connell thanks to the trees. The horrendous turbine parts will destroy the memorial due to your transportation plan.

The massive trucks won't get up Oberon Mount, so the trees will be cut down for nothing. It is a disgrace the trees are a memorial for our fallen soldiers that fought in WWI.

So, the war memorial that is there will be trimmed or chopped down and will take years to grow back. The trees fill the community with joy every time we go past. Please consider a plan so that they don't ruin O'Connell.

Thank you for your consideration,

Yours sincerely,

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To Whom It May Concern

I have heard that you plan to remove or seriously trim back the O'Connell Avenue trees, just to get a few wind turbine parts, without confirmation that the parts will make it up Oberon Mount. At least do a traffic check, and consider other options like helicoptering the parts in. Here is a question. Would you rather, spend more money and helicopter it in, and at the same time respect the people who died for you? Or, chop out a piece of history by disrespecting them and going ahead with the current plan? Again, with no confirmation that it will make it up Oberon Mount.

Sleep. Peace. Joy. These are three things that we are deprived of in this dark, desolate city of no trees at all. No trees because of the Independent Planning Commission's choice to put in wind turbines. Because of that decision, the trees on the O'Connell Avenue, which were planted as memorials to soldiers who died in WWI are gone. And we know that in 10 years the wind turbines will fall apart and give us a chance to start again. We will hear birds in the trees.

Have you seen "The Lorax"? Long story short, some random guy invents something called a Thneed, which can be used as a bike seat cover, curtain and jumper. He makes them by chopping down trees (get the connection?) He gives his family directions and boom chakalaka, he mass produces them with a factory that pollutes the surrounding area. You should listen to "let it grow."

Please start respecting our trees. They are a hundred years old, and they were planted as a memorial, and it will make this place one step closer to becoming a city.

Thank you for your consideration,

Yours sincerely, Year 3 student.

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The sunrise peaks over the mountain. A cool breeze rustles the poppy on my chest. But it isn't the same without the trees planted between 1925 to 1927. These beautiful Desert Ash trees were propagated for the fallen soldiers who died fighting for this glorious country. All chopped down. Driving through O'Connell bare, a road where once magnificent trees sat aside the black tar.

Vehicle after Vehicle barely reaching 10km all because we're stuck behind over 100 metres long trucks pushing to get up the Oberon Mount. Brakes flash minute after minute they crawl slowly around each corner. This happens everyday as they leisurely build these expensive wind turbines just to get destroyed by severe storms a decade later. All this for nothing. As each day I have to get up even earlier just so I won't be late for school.

Taller and taller white poles climb towards the sky reaching higher. A tower of misery and hurt only standing there thanks to the hundreds of dead trees and stumps along the O'Connell Avenue Road. Creatures homes wrecked, gone, destroyed. All because of these turbines. Not even knowing if they are going to get up the mount.

So I'm begging you, please don't cut down the Desert Ash trees along the O'Connell Avenue road. You don't know how important they are to the O'Connell community. Cutting them down will put the community in a devastating state.

Thank you for your consideration

Yours sincerely, Year six

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To whom it may concern,

Please do not cut down the war memorial trees down. It is not seitan that those HUGE trucks will even make it up the Oberon mount there will be horrendous traffic. The wind turbines are about 164 tones. How would you feel if you planted all those trees, and someone decides to cut them all down its outrages that you want to cut them down.

Australia a beautiful country. O'Connell a beautiful village birds singing trees rustling but now its bear and so different all the glorious trees gone all of them I cannot believe this said an O'Connell community member. I will never forget any of those solders.

Like why you are trying to cut down our beautiful magical trees they were planted for the solders in World War 1 and World War 2. Fighting for our country Australia and as you all know just building destructive wind turbines. They are not good for the environment please do not cut down the trees.

Trees give us oxygen and yes I know your not cutting down every single tree but please don't drive through the avenue of trees or cut any of them down there are many people who agree with me trees are beautiful they give us shade and they are not going down but if you do cut them down the Lorax will come for you.

Thank you for your consideration.

Yours sincerely,

Year 4 student.

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To Whom It May Concern

We don't want the wind turbines coming through O'Connell. Trimming the trees will take away all the oxygen. This whole scheme is upsetting for the community of O'Connell. We grew up here, we live here, we love here.

Don't hurt one of our beautiful trees, don't knock down one of our beautiful trees, don't even touch one of our beautiful trees. You might not even know but the trees were planted over 100 years ago by a soldier who returned to O'Connell. He planted these Desert Ash trees in memory of his fellow soldiers and to this day we respect and care for these trees. They are the biggest part of O'Connell, and we will be devastated if you chop them down.

These wind turbines you want to take through O'Connell, we don't want them. They take over 4 years to get to the whole turbine transported to Oberon and you could even cut down our trees for no reason because you don't even know whether you will make it up the Oberon Mount.

Apart from looking beautiful, these trees represent the people who served in the war for us, some who died to protect our country. We celebrate ANZAC day under those trees to show respect to the people who served for us. Please, from every student, teacher and parent, we would be very devastated if you cut down our trees because you would be cutting down our community.

Yours sincerely Oconnel Public School Year 5 Student

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The warm breeze slides across my face, the red leaves fall to the green grass. Its ANZAC day. These trees represent those who fought for this country and now they want to cut them down.

I'm outraged, a community falling apart, animals losing their homes just because of wind turbines and it doesn't even look good. It's ruining the land and its not like it will last more than twenty years.

These trees have been special to the O'Connell community for over a hundred years. Even if you cut down these trees you probably won't make it up Oberon Mount, it's a waste of money, six hundred million dollars in the drain and it's near Jenolan Caves. It's ruining the point of going.

When I see these trees, I think of the people who fought for this country. Sacrificed their lives for this country, and now they're going to get cut down, for what? Just to ruin our future and forget about these soldiers.

Thank you for your consideration.

Yours sincerely,

Year Four student

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To whom it may concern

A daily drive to the café. Stump after stump. The beautiful trees gone. Leaves flood the road. Why would you cut the trees down it is an outrageous idea. The stunning 100-year-old trees disappeared. Do you really want this to happen? Don't destroy O'Connell Avenue.

Chainsaws ring's everyone's ears. Woodchips fly everywhere. The trees planted for World War 1 veterans chopped down just for some ridiculous turbines that will break down in just 20 years the community would be in distraught if the trees plummet to the ground.

Machines making noise. Creature scurrying to safety. Animals running around. Heather from Oberon vet said, "Species will drop if habitat is lost". That is terrible. Imagine watching your house smash tumble and crumble without warning. How bad is that?

Trees getting chopped down, that sounds bad, But World War 1 veteran trees, it sounds even worse. How could you accept this idea or even think about it? Just for some flimsy machines. Don't chop the trees down. Don't destroy O'Connell Avenue.

Thank you for your consideration.

Yours sincerely

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The traffic has not been studied in the first place. And if you do take the trees out you do not even know if you can get up Oberon mount. The trees are over 100 years old it is a pathetic thought to think about cutting them down.

Think about it, imagine if you were related to one of the service men or women that these trees were planted for. If they didn't fight for our country maybe we wouldn't be alive. Plus it is such a dumb idea, placing a wind turbine is like putting a problem in the ground.

Your dumb if you think you can knock down those trees. Imagine how heartbroken the O'Connell community would be. Every day all of the O'Connell community driving through the Avenue of trees that would be knocked down would make the visual of O'Connell much worse.

The trees are so beautiful that it is nearly impossible to want to cut them down. They bring back memories and feelings of love to those who have died.

Thank you for your consideration,

Yours Sincerely,

Year 3 students.

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To whom it may concern,

I am writing to discuss the outrageous proposal of Oberon Shire's wind turbines. On the route over alone, you would have to drastically trim or **destroy** the avenue of O'Connell Memorial desert ash trees to transport the components. It is absolutely **disgusting** that you would even consider doing this to trees symbolising my country's freedom. The fact that you had cut trees for your **hideous** turbines just for them to fall apart in 20 years is **despicable and pathetic**. They are the pride and joy of the community and losing them would trash the charm of the village.

97 years of those beautiful memorial trees, and, gone. Just because of your ridiculous claim of "eco-friendliness." These wind farms need replacement after just twenty years. **It is NOT WORTH IT.** They **kill** wildlife, drive locals **crazy**, **ruin** the landscape & devalue properties. Our property is worth ~\$10,000,000 (said Elder's Emms Mooney Real Estate) yet these horrendous, eerie towers of steel and fibreglass would drive property value to rock bottom. **FOR SHAME.**

The shire's vista would go to waste. Your corrupt idea of wind turbines dominating the area is an assortment of problems for the Oberon region. It is just mortifying for the locals. I cannot believe that the citizens of Oberon & Taralga must fight this hard to stop the 47 hideous 240-metre-high wind turbines. If this goes to plan, \$600,000,000 are wasted.

How could you even think about the evil changes you want to introduce? It seems draconian that you're barely asking for feedback and claiming that it is **ECO FRIENDLY?** NO!

What planet are you on?

I want you to know that the Oberon community is NOT nothing.

We DO NOT want our countryside ruined by the **horrid turbines**. Please listen to us. Do NOT ruin the Desert ashes, Do NOT ruin Oberon and surrounds.

DO NOT.

Just spare our trees and spare Oberon. That's all I ask.

Thankyou for your consideration.

Yours sincerely,

Anonymous Yr. 6 Student from O.P.S.

Dear Office of Independent Planning Commission

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To Whom It May Concern

We want to keep the trees not chop them down. The Avenue of Trees in O'Connell is a beautiful sight. These trees were planted over one hundred years ago for the solders that came from O'connell. Every time we lost a solder, we planet a tree for the memories and respect that they gave to us so please if you respect the solders do not cut down our trees.

Mrs Forsyth the principal of O'Connell public school will be very disappointed along with teachers at O'Connell. The beautiful Trees are good for our environment, animals and other creatures living on Earth. The trees Represent ANZAC day and other events. Please, lots of people not in O'connell still would like you not to chop down our trees!!

The memories over the years will be swept away in one day. All the trees will be gone without even knowing if the wind turbines with fit along the road. 120 Ash Desert trees were planted in 1925 between 1927. Over 66 years ago we need to remember who fought for us and we need to knowledge them and not destroy it and show the respect they deserve.

We ask you very kindly Please do not chop our trees down our trees mean a lot to our community they will be devastated. If you cut them down there will be no going back, take a lot of thought and do not just cut them down.

Thank you for your consideration

Yours Sincerely O'connell Public School Year 5/3 Student

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We don't want the wind turbines coming through O'Connell. Trimming the trees will take away all the oxygen. This whole scheme is upsetting for the community of O'Connell. We grew up here, we live here, we love here.

Don't hurt one of our beautiful trees, don't knock down one of our beautiful trees, don't even touch one of our beautiful trees. You might not even know but the trees were planted over 100 years ago by a soldier who returned to O'Connell. He planted these Desert Ash trees in memory of his fellow soldiers and to this day we respect and care for these trees. They are the biggest part of O'Connell, and we will be devastated if you chop them down.

These wind turbines you want to take through O'Connell, we don't want them. They take over 4 years to get to the whole turbine transported to Oberon and you could even cut down our trees for no reason because you don't even know whether you will make it up the Oberon Mount.

Apart from looking beautiful, these trees represent the people who served in the war for us, some who died to protect our country. We celebrate ANZAC day under those trees to show respect to the people who served for us. Please, from every student, teacher and parent, we would be very devastated if you cut down our trees because you would be cutting down our community.

Yours sincerely, Oconnel Public School Year 5 Student

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To Whom It May Concern

Stumps, lots of stumps that used to be a beautiful avenue. These trees that were planted more than 100 years ago. These Desert Ash trees were planted to commemorate the soldiers who served in World War 1.

Animals will lose their homes. These Desert Ash trees are the only ones for miles and miles. Devastation through the whole village now it's more stumps than trees. It doesn't have to be. If you don't cut them down.

You might not even make it over Oberon mount. So, you cut them down for nothing. These were planted for a reason not to be cut down 100 years later. Trees should get priority as a natural feature.

Thank you for the consideration.

Yours sincerely,

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Going by the avenue loving the sight of desert ashes wishing for it to never go away. Tasting the sweet air never going away but seeing people walking by on the path and giving shade in the summer to keep people cool while if you get rid of the newly made path and the car's that people put on the side of the road will get boiling inside even quicker. The people who live here care about the place.

My relatives lived and fought in the war, and others have relatives in it too, so I am speaking for them too. Our DNA stays in those people and the trees represent us and bring us forward and keep us brave and strong, if the trees go there will be nothing to look at and a lot of people will get angry and complain. The people, they never give up. I am one of them, that is why I am writing this.

The memorial stands tall never letting go, us walking under believing and hoping for the best and more people who come down to see the trees. If you ask some of the locals, they will tell you all about the reason and when people came after there will be no stories or memorial. So please do not cut down our trees they mean a lot to all of us and some who just come to visit.

Thank you for your consideration,

Yours sincerely,

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To whom it may concern,

The red dusty sun slowly rises. The cold crispy air flows through the autumn trees. What a beautiful site. To think those desert ash trees have been there for hundreds of years. Till today. The 100 meters wind turbines coming through. Cutting down those desert ash trees replacing them with wind turbines. THE HORROR THE MURDER! The comminute O'Connell. Will never feel the same. Those trees where planted from the people how died from the World War one. To remember them. Cutting down those desert ash trees is like going to a grave and digging it up. IT NOT MIGHT NOT EVEN FIT OVER THE MOUNTAIN! Animals the comminute the trees. It's all part of us. SO PLEASE DO NOT CUT DOWN THOSE TREES. What did they do to. NOTHING! So many things rely on those trees. From O'Connell

Thank you for your consideration.

Yours sincerely,

Year 3 student,