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Jason Maslen

The Department of Planning

Dear Jason,

My Wife and I are residents of the Adventist Retirement Village located at Mount Pleasant Ave. Over the past nine years it has always been both difficult and dangerous to enter or exit Mount Pleasant Ave. Such has been concern that the management of the Village has long attempted to have lights installed at this corner. Despite the support of local members of parliament, the proposal was thwarted by the RMS.

Imagine our surprise and horror, when we were called to a meeting of village residents and informed of the plans of Loreto School to virtually double the size of their student population to 2,000. With the concomitant increase in staff numbers added to traffic movement, the construction vehicles would add to our existing difficulties. There has been nothing in our letterbox as claimed by the school. We have had little time to request further information about the plans.

Writing to our local member we were informed by his office that there was another proposal before Hornsby Council - LORETO has applied for an 80 capacity Early Childcare Centre on Mount Pleasant Ave. Such a centre could involve an additional 200 vehicular movements each day - by Staff, parents, deliveries, many of which would be in peak periods. What are the days of operation??? What are the hours of operation???

What we have here is the potential of further congestion on a street which has to remain accessible for the Doctors, nursing staff, ancillary, cleaning, outdoor staff, visitors, taxis and resident vehicles as well as for Ambulances, Fire, bush and rescue.

There is an understanding of the need of a good school to grow and to meet the evolving needs of its students, but we must not lose track of the requirements that demand a safe traffic environment for the residents of Mount Pleasant Avenue.

UNTIL AND UNLESS PROVISION
CAN BE MADE FOR THE SAFETY
AND ATTENTION OF ALL THE RESIDENTS
OF MOUNT PLEASANT AVENUE
BOTH DEVELOPMENTS (S.S.D 8996 AND
DA/1227/2018) MUST BE OPPOSED.



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