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The Hon Rob Stokes MP
Minister for Planning
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Also via Portal with attention to: Aditi Coomar

Objection to SSD-8996 Loreto Normanhurst Redevelopment

Dear Mr Stokes and Ms Coomar,

Loreto has firmly shifted its focus to business profit. That would be its own business if it happily covered all the costs that align with its profits. However, over the last few decades, the costs have been progressively pushed onto surrounding residents in the form of unacceptable traffic issues.

I object to this current proposal, which would further seek to transfer value from residents to Loreto's expanding business interests.

I again ask that any approval include as a pre-condition a large capacity improvement at the existing Osborn Road traffic lights.

Attachment 1 below details how, with Loreto's cooperation, it is easily possible to improve the Osborn Road traffic lights without interfering with Pennant Hills Road efficiency.

Faithfully,

Michael Wensley

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ATTACHMENT 1

Access fully-via-Osborn-Road-only

With Loreto cooperation, it is easily possible to have all access via the existing Osborn Road traffic lights. This would enable the removal of all Mount Pleasant Avenue entries to the site.

The components required are:

1. Provide new signage for the school and associated businesses (swim school, child care, etc.) at the Osborn Road intersection
2. Move the lights on Pennant Hills Road to widen the Osborn Road intersection
3. Excavate existing Loreto land down to street level to create two or more additional lanes at the mouth of Osborn Road



4. Continue to have one incoming lane (albeit now slightly farther east)
5. Create two left-turn exit lanes and two right-turn exit lanes. The pre-existing through traffic misalignment can be corrected by allowing a lane 3 to either go straight or turn right

6. Increase the capacity (within the existing lights cycle times) for cars to exit onto Pennant Hills Road by lengthening the area with marked lanes for cars queueing
7. Allow two way traffic to the western side of the Proposal via a widening of the existing internal road



8. Consider an extension of the pedestrian overhead bridge over the internal road (for additional safety for school children)