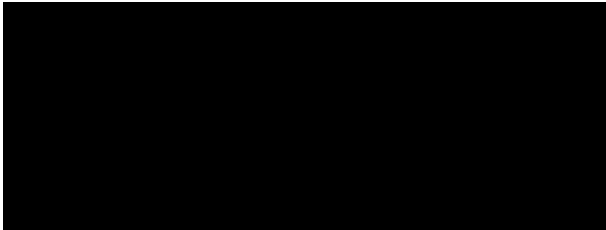


Please find attached my submission objecting to SSD 8996, namely the proposal by Loreto Normanhurst to redevelop its premises, including increasing its student number by 75% to 2,000 and increasing on site car parking to 433 spaces (including replacing the current 60 space Osborn Road main car park with a 200 space car park).

To: Ms. Aditi Coomar



From: Margaret and Lawrie Owens



Normanhurst NSW 2076.

28<sup>th</sup> February, 2021

**Attention: Director – Social and Other Infrastructure Assessments**

Dear Ms Coomar,

**LORETO NORMANHURST SCHOOL**

**REDEVELOPMENT (CONCEPT PROPOSAL AND STAGE 1),**

**91-93 PENNANT HILLS ROAD, NORMANHURST.**

**(SSD -8996) – OBJECTION**

Unfortunately, I am forced to write to you again to object to the above proposal.

Even at the current school size the local residents suffer greatly with unacceptable traffic chaos at both drop off and pick up times, during special school ceremonies, and during weekend sporting events. This traffic chaos impacts Pennant Hills Road, Osborn Road and its 5 feeder streets of Currawong Ave., Rivertop Close, Nepean Ave., Wendy Avenue and Dunbar Close. With your lack of knowledge of the aforesaid area I cannot envisage how Osborn Rd., can cope with traffic from a 200 space car park feeding onto this Road....this is beyond our comprehension...you must have observed the traffic flow during school holidays when our streets return to normality. Already today, traffic nightmares and long traffic queues on Osborn Road are a regular occurrence. I have waited through 5 traffic light changes just to access my already blocked street and am unable to reach my driveway owing to the volume of traffic and the non moving queues.

I am highly concerned for the safety of children, parents and grandparents, from the adjacent primary school, who walk along the busy Osborn Road footpath at the same time as vehicles are entering and exiting into the school. The proposed Green Travel Plan is not at all a viable alternative

as school parents, students and staff will continue to commute as they wish, which is mostly by car. Every day Osborn Road is parked out by school attendees not by residents.

Osborn Road is narrow and cannot be widened due to the existence of protected remnant Blue Gum High Forest and wildlife.

We have resided in [REDACTED] for the past [REDACTED] and observed and welcomed many of the changes to Loreto School/Convent but this planned extension is most disturbing. The school is now becoming a corporation/ money making business showing no concern for the beautiful locality and limiting size of its location. The school has been renowned for considering local residents needs and working in with them but this proposed traffic nightmare is just too much to accept without sending you our objection.

Declaration: I have not made a political donation in the last two years.

Yours sincerely,

Margaret and Lawrie Owens