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I am writing to you to lodge my objection to the proposed Lindfield Learning Village Stages 2 and 3.

I have lived in the next street, Winchester Ave and Dunstan Grove for over 22 years. Therefore I have an intimate understanding of the issues associated with the proposed development.

Further I am aware of the original deed in which the land gift was predicated on the property remaining an educational facility. Therefore, whilst I am supportive of the school, I am concerned to learn that it is planned to modify the existing access route for drop-off & pick-up of children from the eastern side of the school into Dunstan Grove.

The traffic report states that from 7.30am - 9.30am and 2.30pm - 5.00pm there will be 350 cars and 14 buses down Dunstan Grove in the morning, and it is likely the same number in the afternoons. I am sure these are conservative estimates.

This is excessive traffic in the context of the narrow road, the complex layout, poor pedestrian access, potential bushfire

My concerns about this are as follows:

- **Vehicle Safety** – Dunstan Grove is a very narrow and curved road and was only built for very limited access. It is already very tight for cars to pass each other, with limited sight lines and there are already delays while cars park at the oval community centre. There is no assessment of how buses can fit down the road safely with traffic travelling in the opposite direction. Schools Infrastructure has made no attempt to demonstrate investigation of alternatives to the proposed Loop Road. It is clear the option chosen is the lowest cost and easiest option, at the expense of the Dunstan Grove community, who will experience significant road and safety issues and increased congestion. I understand two (2) alternative proposals that keep the traffic on the eastern side of the site (within the school boundary) which would remove these safety issues have been provided. I ask that these be further considered.
- **Pedestrian Safety** – Dunstan Grove residents and school children must cross Dunstan Grove to get to the school or bus stop on as there is not a continuous footpath. The current unmarked crossing is on a blind corner and is already very dangerous with the current light traffic. This will become extremely dangerous with the proposed increased

- A heritage-listed and Sulman Medal-winning building is partially being demolished to accommodate the loop road proposed as well as the removal of significant trees. The E3 zone was specifically drawn at the edge of the existing buildings so that the bushland setting of the heritage buildings could be maintained. The proposed Loop Road undermines this planning framework that set the community's expectations for how this site would be developed in the future.
- This proposal has been kept secret from local residents for 18 months and is now being rushed through during the Christmas period. There has not been adequate time allowed for proper consultation or time to understand the impacts of the proposal. The Department must not rush the planning process and give proper consideration of the community's objections, particularly given the errors, misleading statements and inadequate assessment in the RTS submitted.
- Inconsistent and inadequate documentation – The RtS incorrectly states that no works are proposed in the E3 Environmental Management Zone, when in fact the Loop Road and various other works are proposed. There are also inconsistencies in the documentation that are unclear about who will be able to use the Loop Road. The Noise Report is unclear and doesn't properly identify which dwellings will be affected by noise.

I do not want my personal information released

I ask that my genuine and logical concerns are taken into consideration when processing the LLV Schools Infrastructure proposal.

Yours faithfully,

