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Dear Sir or Madam

***NEW HIGH SCHOOL IN BUNGENDORE  
APPLICATION NO. SSD-14394209***

I refer to the above state-significant development application.

I **object** to the proposal, for the following reason(s):

I may not live in Bungendore, but I am a frequent visitor to the area. Coming to Bungendore from the city is like a breath of fresh air. I think a high school for the area is a wonderful project, but I am distressed by the area chosen for its construction for the following reasons.

- There has been a lack of genuine and timely consultation with the broader community. The claim of no other suitable area is hard to believe when there were contracts prepared for another site prior to the sudden announcement of Bungendore Park.
- Future population growth which has been estimated to go from 3300 to 12000 as per the QPRC Structure Plan 2018-2048, has not been considered on the chosen site with a very small building envelope offered by the proposed site
- Bungendore Park is Crown Land gazetted 1884 and dedicated for public recreation and the central hub of the historic village. Future high school expansion poses a threat to the park. The Park should be protected for future residents and visitors like myself to enjoy its historic character
- Bungendore Common is a flood prone area and also a popular off leash dog area. As a regular visitor to the area, I use this frequently.

- I am always surprised at the number of tourists that stop in the town. The proposed site has a major impact on the heritage precinct and will impact potential tourism. Many visit the town because of the heritage features i=of the town.I visit from Brisbane so my daughter can experience old world country charm and a more relaxed lifestyle. One of my favourite things is to catch the train from Sydney with my daughter and get of a Bungendore railway station. This will not be the same experience if the high school is built on the proposed site.
- The permanent removal of the well-used amenities, such as the swimming pool, community centre and library, a portion of Mick Sherd oval is a disgrace. I have personally utilised all those amenities when visiting. My daughter loves the swimming pool in particular. All of those ammenities are prime examples of small towm community spirit as they only exist because of the hard work and dedication of the community who raised the funds to better the town.
- Increased traffic and road safety risks and danger due to proximity of railway line, closure of an important and heavily used road (Majara St) without the benefit of traffic studies, congested roads in the already busy village, limited parking for cars and buses.

I have not, and no associate of mine, has made any political donation to any person in the 2 years preceding this submission.

Yours faithfully,

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