

DA0497/2017
Second Submitters Meeting
12.30pm - 2.00pm
Town Hall Committee Room

- It was discussed how the meeting will be laid out, and was decided to focus on the responses to the questions from the previous meeting.
- It was questioned where those questions came from as they don't appear to be all the questions that were asked at the previous meeting.
- Assessment of the application will be finalised in the first few weeks of January.
- There was concern around the issues in the representations and questions in them having been missed.
- Not all representations were sent to all submitters.
- It was noted that there were a lot of issues and it is difficult at the meeting to discuss all issues that may not have been raised.
- Not against the school to increase in size but loss of greenspace.
- All representations will be considered in full in the report and as attachments to the Council report.
- Further or additional/supplementary submissions will be considered although the original submission is the statutory submission.
- There are issues around the Traffic Impact Assessment (TIA). The figures are incorrect for kids arriving by car and the number of children per car. It relates back to incorrect statistics.
- 66% of parents will park in other streets (not Oxford) which relates more to the primary school where people will park in the Street. When Oxford Street reaches capacity people will park elsewhere. It will create danger and ultimately all these issues are things that Council have to consider.
- 28 movements is incorrect, people will do 'laps' of the street (until learned), but once learned will 'sort itself out', but in the meantime there will be dangers.
- The TIA acknowledged that the 28 cars are not additional but existing, only elsewhere. Further, the kindergarten will have different hours than the school. There are parking issues now and no matter what happens, parking will always be bad.
- This development is unable to provide parking as it is required under the Planning Scheme. Council officers will take advice and assess the planning scheme.
- Artas response is not adequate, Council has not responded to the issue.
- Car parking is yet to be determined. Council will inevitably make that final decision. It will ultimately be Council's final decision.
- There are issues around the front setback. The planning scheme allows for discretion through performance criteria. It is a very common form of assessment.

- The tennis court fence is being relocated to fit new car parks. Council to review parking and traffic. The owners of the land are moving a fence on their land which is not a planning issue or consideration.
- Again, the TIA made assumptions, in real life it's often different. Actually responding to the new situation, if approved, may be easier to do rather than anticipate what might happen. The TIA has been made on assumptions but ultimately Council can change their decision.
- Why was there no agreement between Council and the applicant regarding traffic? The applicant put their preferred option forward for Council to consider. Do the 7 car parking spaces need to be there? They are imposing on the amenity of the area.
- There are continuing discussions with P & F and Education Tasmania regarding the land swap but nothing has been finalised yet.
- There are potential issues with the 'Launch into Learning' which was mentioned in the response. Parents staying for 1 or 1.5 hours and the resulting issues in parking on Oxford Street, which in turn pushes people away from the street. Car parks are already at capacity so it will spread out into surrounding streets. Is there opportunity to change the parking on the street? There is concern it is ill-conceived and a way to gain access to green space, construct on the land, and essentially open it up to infill development.
- Council needs to look to the future. The DA has a hidden agenda. Is it Council's responsibility?
- The 7 car parking spaces should be removed.
- It was noted that the zone allows this type of use and development to be considered for a school, and not green space. If more green space were utilised for car parking would a lot of issues disappear?
- Is there an alternative solution to the parking issues such as extending the road width? Why couldn't the education department consider buying residential dwelling and properties to expand the school ground?
- The City of Launceston, in a 2007 report discussed acquiring the oval and land for public open space. East Launceston has the least amount of green space in the city.
- Ultimately the application can be made. It is zoned for education.
- What are the schools policies? Who are the stakeholders? Why is Punch Bowl school underpopulated? Who purchased the land?
- Education Tasmania happy to discuss questions about the proposal but nothing else.
- What's the reason for building in the setback? This was answered in the report.