Council Agenda - 28 November 2019 - Agenda Item 8.1 Attachment 4 - Representations 234 Wellington Street, South Launceston

**From:** David Rowlings

**Sent:** 14 Oct 2019 09:57:10 +1100

**To:** Contact Us **Subject:** DA0467/2019

General manager,

Dear Sir,

Please be advised that we strongly object to the proposed plans for a drivethrough coffee shop at 234 Wellington St, DA0467/2019,

Traffic congestion will be a major factor on the entry to Wilmot St. As the owner of the property for 30 plus years and since the change to the lanes merging from the Glen Dhu lights I have witnessed many accidents. I can only imagine with the build up of traffic coming from Westbury Rd with another hold up at Glen Dhu lights to only find another bottle neck of traffic waiting to enter Wilmot St as it is only a short distance to the proposed entry to this drive through coffe shop. Parking is at a minimum already around this area due to the fact that Contact electrical take up all the available parks in Shamrock St, the major concern will be trucks large trucks that now enter Wilmot St both from North and South.

Exiting this site will be another problem as most people won't allow traffic back into the flow down Wellington St.

As I recall I was asked not to have any exit onto Wellington Street when I amalgamated 5 titles in 1992 and in the end was allowed 1. The traffic congestion since that time has increased dramatically so I fail to see how another exit onto Wellington Street would be appropriate. There will then be an exit at Shamrock Street, at 236-248 Wellington Street, at Wilmont Street, at 234Wellington Street, 2 exits at Tassie Wash and at Thistle Street.

David Rowlings.

Julie Rowlings.

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**Sent:** 16 Oct 2019 11:48:03 +1100

**To:** Contact Us **Subject:** DA0467/2019

Michael Stretton GENERAL MANAGER

Michael,

In relation to DA0467/2019

I write

to express my concern in relation to the potential traffic infringing on the current street flow. As the proposal is to utilise the existing property as a drive through coffee shop, it will undoubtedly increase the traffic in Wilmot Street. Wilmot Street is a narrow street off Wellington Street, which currently has cars parked in the street, by customers visiting the current businesses and with the delivery vehicles, including large trucks utilising this street, it is at its current peak. An increase to the traffic is not wise, and will make the street congested, and will cause delays for the current businesses in the area, including delaying access to Wellington Street from Wilmot Street, and vice versa – accessing Wilmot Street from Wellington Street.

The current proposal in this application also shows the vehicles exiting the property onto Wellington Street, which is also a danger, as Wellington Street is at peak usage, and additional cars exiting will cause further congestion, especially as the drivers exiting the property will be more focused on drinking their coffee than looking for oncoming traffic down Wellington Street.

We have a range of cars, utes, trucks and machinery in our business, and believe this proposal will have a negative impact on our daily operations, productivity and profitability.

Thank you for your consideration.

Kind Regards,

Arne Smith

Document Set ID: 4137603 Version: 1, Version Date: 16/10/2019 The General Manager, Launceston City Council

Dear Sir,

I am writing with regards to the proposed drive through coffee shop at 234 Wellington Street, South Launceston, DA0467/2019.

We strongly oppose this due to many factors:

Congestion on Wellington Street is backed up most days and trying to get out of Shamrock or Wilmont Streets is extremely time consuming, frustrating and at times dangerous.

Then there is the bus stop outside Tassie Car Wash, which just adds to the congestion and causes traffic to be backed up as far as Westbury road intersection.

Parking is near impossible in Shamrock street with any 'unlimited time' parking spaces being taken up by employee's vehicles and company/work vehicles of Contact Electrical.

There is a large volume of traffic coming through from Hungry Jacks, into Shamrock Street, to exit onto Wellington Street.

The very small area for parking in Shamrock street, which is one hour parking is very often used by larger vehicles with trailers, caravans or motor homes and delivery trucks as there is no where else for such large vehicles.

Wilmont street has very little parking areas available, and even less now the council has placed a 'yellow line' outside our yard in between our yard and Janders in Wilmont street. (at the request of Janders)

At the end of Wilmont street, there is an entrance for trucks (semi trailers) that need access to their business Vinidex.

You also have a freight company that have many trucks whom use Wilmont street as this is easier access for them.

Wilmont street is narrow, and due to the nature of the business' in this street, trucks have difficulty manoeuvring as it is, this would only create more congestion, frustration and chaos.

The proposed occupier have also stated there will only be two employees, so that is an automatic red flag for having congested line up and waiting times.

To allow this to proceed would be a high risk for accident's and/or road rage, of which we see on a regular basis.

This proposed request for such a business at the said site would be have a great impact on our business and no doubt the other business' surrounding us hence our strong objection.

Yours Sincerely

Robin Dawkins