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Content: Dear Mr. Mark Brown,

Please find a copy of my objection to the proposed ACU plans. Please give my submission the appropriate consideration and reject the plans.

Kind regards,

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4<sup>th</sup> March 2012

Mr Mark Brown Major Projects Assessment Department of Planning & Infrastructure GPO Box 39 SYDNEY NSW 2001

Dear Mr Brown,

### Ref: MP 10\_0231 Australian Catholic University (ACU) Strathfield Campus Concept Plan 167-169 & 179 Albert Road, Strathfield Objection against Concept Plan for ACU Strathfield Campus

Reference is made to your letter dated 16 January 2012 regarding the Environmental Assessment lodged by the ACU for a Concept Plan Application for a Master Plan that seeks approval for:

- Four New Development Precincts giving rise to Six Building Envelopes between Two and Four Storeys in Height;
- Increase of car parking on-site (from 346 to a minimum of 644 spaces) in basement and at ground level;
- Improved access arrangements by consolidating main site access and egress into four gates along Barker Road;
- Alterations to internal pedestrian linkages throughout the campus;
- Increase in Student Numbers to 4,800 by 2016 with 2,400 on site at any one time
- Extension of Operating Hours
- Increase in Staff Numbers to match Increase in Student Numbers and Hours of Operation at any one time.

This is a substantial development in a low density residential suburb. The size and the enormity of this project are not seen amongst leafy suburbs that maintain historical heritage significant buildings. This is a suburb with multi-million dollar homes, where the land value ranges between \$800,000 to \$2,500,000 and where developments being carried out are not for the purpose of carrying on a business.

Is this really necessary?

Why must we, the residents of Strathfield, bear the burden of the Catholic Church's ideal philosophy of creating a "world class university" to exploit a site for financial gain and which has only operated as a university since 1993?

I do not want a "World Class Educational Institution" here in Strathfield. This is our home. This is a residential area. I do not want a busy active streetscape or a busy, noisy, high traffic educational establishment.

This is a quiet residential neighbourhood.

The ACU estimates a "30 percent increase in student numbers over the next 10 years". They have proposed 4,800 students by 2016. Using Council's figures that there are 1800 students on site, that is a three-fold increase of 267%, far more in excess than that stated by the University.

Strathfield is a family oriented suburb with the main focus being its central proximity to both primary and secondary schooling. It is not zoned as a medium or high density residential nor commercial area and should not be treated as such. It is in fact zoned R2 as a Low Density Residential Area with an abundance of Heritage listed items. It is home to multi-million dollar houses and its property values in the surrounding precincts borders on \$1.3 - \$5 million homes.

### **NOTICE OF OBJECTION**

I hereby strongly oppose and object to the Applicant's Concept Plan for a Master Plan to redevelop its site at the ACU and to increase three-fold the number of buildings and students to the primarily residential area that is known as Strathfield. These objections are based on the following grounds:

### 1. BACKGROUND

The Strathfield Campus (Mount Saint Mary) of the ACU has only been in existence since the 7 January 1993. The supporting document named "Appendix D ACU Neighbourhood Policy Oct11.pdf" submitted by the ACU as part of its Concept Plan Application gives a false representation of the facts and as such, implies that the University has been a long standing resident of the Strathfield Community, far longer than some of the residents who have resided in Strathfield for more than 30-40 years.

"For more than a century Australian Catholic University (ACU) has provided an educational institution at the Strathfield campus. Over this time the community has grown around the campus, as has the role of a tertiary institution at the Strathfield campus." <u>As stated in Paragraph 2 of Appendix D</u>

THIS IS A LIE. The community has NOT grown around the campus.

The land, now known as the Mount St Mary Campus of the ACU or Strathfield campus, was previously used as a Catholic College of Education preparing teachers for Catholic schools and later, nurses for Catholic hospitals. It was not until the end of 1990 that negotiations began, to sell the Mount St Mary site to the Sydney Archdiocese and that the operation of the College was formally handed over to the ACU on 7 January 1993.

P.43 of the Concept Plan Application of the ACU Strathfield Environmental Assessment - Part 2.pdf has itself stated that:

"The Catholic Archdiocese of Sydney purchased the property of Strathfield (Mount St Mary) Campus for ecclesiastical uses. (That) such uses are encompassed in the three-fold responsibility of the Church to proclaim or teach the Word, celebrate the sacraments and engage in the ministry of charity. These three responsibilities and purposes both pre-suppose each other and are inseparable (Benedict XVI, Deus Caritas Est).

Hence.....the expression of that educational purpose (should and) does of necessity encompass both celebration of the sacraments and community engagement based upon charity. These ....responsibilities are presented by the Church as being integral to the mission of service of a Catholic University (John Paul II, Ex Corde Ecclesiae)."

It is my belief that the Catholic Church has gone beyond what one would have you believe as the ecclesiastical teaching of the modern day student. In short, the ACU now offers programs for not only the theologian but, for anyone wishing to further their education in:

- the Arts
- Business Information Systems
- Commerce
- Education
- Environmental Science
- Exercise & Health Science
- Exercise & Sports Science
- Global Studies
- Human Resource Management
- International Development Studies
- Nursing
- Physiotherapy
- Social Work, and
- Visual Arts and Design

And perhaps, many more.

There is no criterion that one must essentially be of the Catholic faith before one can study at the University. Entry is based purely on the students ATAR results.

The ACU has become a commercial business in itself, striving to expand and become a "World Class" Institution comparable to the University of Sydney and the University of NSW.

It is no longer complacent to accept its humble beginnings, that of an ecclesiastical institution to educate the theologians and to spread the word of God. This is all too evident when one observes the fact that the University has applied to build an additional educational precinct known as Precinct 1\_South Eastern which will house the new library facilities, replacing the existing library as well as disregarding the existing theologian library at the Catholic Institute of Sydney at 99 Albert Road, Strathfield.

### 2. INTENT OF THE ACU

It is the intention of the ACU's "proposed master plan to establish a future development strategy for the Strathfield campus" and to "create a world class precinct including modern teaching and learning facilities", to "establish additional floor space....for the Strathfield campus" and to "improve site access, car parking and surrounding traffic functions". Directly quoted from the Concept Plan Application.

What are the University's real intentions?

What is motivating the University to expand to such an extent that it overrides the needs of the residents within its community?

And at what cost is the University prepared to go in order to establish "a world class precinct" of "modern teaching and learning facilities"?

The ACU's ethos on its website clearly states that the <u>Definition of Community Engagement</u> is: "the process through which Australian Catholic University (ACU) brings the capabilities of its staff and students to work collaboratively with community groups and organisations to achieve mutually agreed goals.....in the interest of people, communities and the University". Furthermore, "The University values community engagement (as a means) in serving the common good".

The actions of the ACU, it's heavy handedness in pushing though major infrastructural changes including the expansion of large student numbers and its master plan to "create a world class university precinct" is in direct contrast with the church's own ethos and seemingly superficial façade of a caring church body.

A clear example of the University's attitude and their lack of communication of relevant and important information can be seen in the outcome of the "third" community consultation held at the University site on Thursday evening 23<sup>rd</sup> February. Notification of the meeting via letter box drop was distributed on the weekend prior to the meeting. Professor Greg Craven, Vice-Chancellor, Australian Catholic University, addressed the meeting asking for any questions to be directed to the end of the meet, however, the residents were angry at the lack of prior consultation, his attitude and the way in which he had addressed the crowd. As a result, little was achieved and little was done to dissuade them.

There has been an insufficient amount of community consultation. It can only amount to arrogance and disrespect for the local community.

### 3. ROLE OF PROFESSOR GREG CRAVEN

Professor Greg Craven is the Vice-Chancellor of the ACU and is to be found at the Vice-Chancellory Campus in North Sydney. He is the CEO of the ACU and is responsible for representing the University both nationally and internationally as well as providing strategic leadership and management of the University. Prior to his appointment to the ACU, he served as Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Strategy & Planning) at Curtin University of Technology in Western Australia (CU).

The CU has also undergone dramatic changes in its expansion and its growth in recent times. On 6 August 2010, the City of South Perth published a public document regarding Student Parking at CU. It stated that:

"The influx of university students has placed surrounding areas under several constraints. I've heard reports of parking problems in Karawara, notably Walanna Drive and Jackson Drive. People are parking on the verges on both sides of the roads, creating safety issues on the local roads. The problem appears to be exasperated due to a trend of entrepreneurs building student accommodation in the area, where it is common for up to eight students being housed in areas with inadequate on-site parking."

It appears that Professor Craven's role therefore, is to oversee the expansion of the ACU and in particular, the Strathfield campus, and perhaps student accommodation both on-campus and offcampus in the not too distant future. Given that his tenure at the ACU appears to have started at the time of negotiations to expand the Strathfield Campus.

Is this what we want for Strathfield?

What are the long-term effects with the continued growth of the ACU to our surrounding suburbs and our neighbourhood? Should Strathfield be placed in such an unenviable position or should the University in fact, be looking at some other site in perhaps, a more commercial precinct with far more opportunities for expansion and growth and in close proximity to public transport? Perhaps the Olympic Site at Homebush would be better suited?

### 4. LAND USE

The ACU is a publicly funded university which operates six campuses around the country, including the North Sydney campus located at 40 Edward Street, North Sydney and directly on the intersection of Berry Street and within walking distance of the Pacific Highway and North Sydney Station. It is located in the hub of a commercial precinct with little if any, low residential housing in its proximity.

In contrast however, the Strathfield campus, which is 5.8 hectares in size, is zoned SP1 "Special Activities" as per the *Draft Strathfield LEP 2011* and is nestled amongst, what is primarily, a residential landscape. The immediate surrounds of the ACU complex is zoned Low Density Residential R2 as per the *Draft Strathfield LEP 2011*. Refer to Attachment A.

The two precincts are at odds with each other and whilst the ACU complex may well benefit from the surrounding environment due to its relative close proximity to the hub of transport and its well connected rail line, not to mention the seclusion and privacy of what is essentially, a residential suburb, it is the local area residents who will suffer.

The increase in student population, in human traffic, in vehicular traffic, noise pollution, pollution on our roads, pollution from waste and rubbish left purposefully, in ratepayers funding to counter the problems of road management, waste management and sometimes, wilful neglect of local resident's properties will all adversely impact on our way of life, our visual privacy, our acoustic privacy and our personal privacy and space.

Furthermore, it is the University's intention to relocate the traffic light on Barker Road from what was, a Pelican Crossing, to a 4-way intersection between Barker Road and South Street. This only

serves to benefit the University. Moreover, a total of four gated entrances are to be established on Barker Road, making it what was, a small arterial road for local residents into a busy major road for access into the University grounds.

Strathfield is, and always has been a residential landscape. In the early 1900s, many grand mansions were constructed as the country homes of wealthy merchants, many of which have been recognised for their historic value. There is a long history of well recognised heritage listed buildings, all of which are located in and around the University. Please refer to Attachment B.

Even the area's recreational landscape is at risk. At present, the ACU site provides a vast area of greenery with the Mount Royal Reserve at the foremost on Barker Road providing substantial visual tranquility, a calm and stillness from the hustle and bustle of life in what is predominantly, an urban concrete setting.

The NSW Government Department of Planning and Infrastructure should be trying to ensure that the residents of Strathfield are entitled to the protection of our heritage and our environment and at the very least, our rights to privacy and a peaceful harmonious way of life without the circus of a "World Class" University at our door step. In this day, we should be promoting open green public space, not concrete conglomerates.

### 5. INCREASE IN STUDENT NUMBERS

The ACU website states that the university now has **4043** students. They are proposing 4,800 by 2016 with an upper limit of 2,400 on the campus at any one time. Staff are proposed at a maximum 260 by 2016."

Strathfield Council, however, believes there are currently **1,800** students. 1800 students is the total allowable per Council for both day and night students.

It should be noted that the ACU, still only has approval from the Land & Environment Court for 1,100 enrolled students by day with 510 attending at any one time and 700 students at night with only 247 attending at any one time. The number of teachers employed on site was not to exceed 190.

### That is, a 510 students on site during the day and 247 students on site at night.

The Edward Clancy Building, at the Strathfield campus, formerly Our Lady of Loreto Nursing Home, and officially opened on 16 June 2005, holds a separate Development Application for 240 students at any one time. It is a separate area and has a separate approval to that of the rest of the Strathfield campus.

It should not be bundled together as an all-in-one package.

It is our greatest concern that the Federal Government will allow the ACU to have an unlimited amount of students on site. There is no control process and no method of monitoring student numbers on site. Our suburb cannot cope with a University with no cap on students. The road infrastructure, the land size the chaos it will cause on surrounding streets will be enormous.

The proposed construction of new development precincts has not even begun nor have "student numbers" been allowed to increase, but this does not seem to deter the ACU from increasing its student population three fold.

Does Strathfield Council or the State Government of NSW have an effective strategy to handle the ever increasing student population as well as at the same time, to provide the local residents of Strathfield a peaceful and harmonious environment to reside without the complexities of increased traffic congestion, parking congestion, vehicular accessibilities into one's own driveway, right of ways, transport negotiation, privacy concerns and acoustic pollution? If not, then the proposed expansion of the University should not be allowed. This is the wrong place, the wrong suburb, the wrong area for a "world class" educational institution of this kind.

### 6. CAR PARKING FACILITIES

The proposed increase in car parking facilities from 346 to a minimum of 644 spaces is inadequate and unrealistic. The University does not have the space or the capability to accommodate the necessary car parking facilities for the estimated 4,800 students that it forecasts for 2016, nor even the "estimated" maximum 2,400 students per day.

644 car parking spaces is not even sufficient to cater for the number of students now, let alone 4800 students.

What next?

- Fee based parking permits on University grounds for staff and students to use the car parks and ground level parking (as it is in UNSW)?
- Time based metered parking on University grounds?
- Metered parking by Council on local neighbourhood streets?

The University is already relying on existing residential street parking in the surrounding neighbourhood to cater for the large number of students and staff using and employed at the site. The University will not admit nor disclose this fact. Rather, they have actively promoted that:

The "Concept Plan encourages greater use of public facilities....including rail and bus services, as well as additional pedestrian and bicycle traffic" <u>P4.2 of the Environmental Assessment at CI.4.4.2</u> of the Concept Plan Application at P.45.

They further proposed that "The only equitable way to distribute the available parking spaces between the residents and visitors is to place parking time restrictions to help manage the available parking balance in the area". Cl. 5.4 of Appendix E Transport & Accessibility Study Dec 11.pdf

Is this fair?

Why should we, the ratepayer's of Strathfield Council, suffer because of the ACU? Are we not allowed to have friends, visitors, non-residing family members, mothers' groups, tradesmen, cleaners, gardeners, etc come and visit?

# The ACU Arup Survey has acknowledged that "<u>the (student) parking occupancy in the nearby</u> <u>streets (of the ACU) is 76%</u>" but it also admits that "<u>this occupancy rate is acceptable</u> <u>considering the majority of the residential properties have more than one off-street parking space</u>"!

That is not fair!

It further "recommend(s) that these on-street parking spaces should be well utilized". It is not up to them to take away our privileges. This is sheer intimidation and bullying by the ACU. The report also admits that "demand is forecast to exceed supply and hence overflow parking will continue to occur in the surrounding streets".

The concept of Resident Parking Vouchers proposed under Strathfield Council's new resident parking scheme limiting households to two permits per household takes away our rights as residents.

Why should the local residents be punished for parking restrictions imposed on them by the ACU? Why can't the ACU cater for the increased vehicular traffic and car parking within its own educational establishment?

Strathfield is primarily a local residential suburb. It is NOT a commercial zoned precinct nor can it cater for the large number of students that are envisaged by the University for a "World Class University" Establishment.

This is suburbia. This is a Low Density Residential Area where the highest residential building peaks at a maximum of 9.5m in height. Strathfield is a well established suburb with some of the state's most expensive housing and real estate in the area.

Strathfield is well known as a regional centre of education both in the private and public sectors. However, it has mainly catered for pre-primary, primary and secondary education, all of which, requires a high percentage of parental input where many parents convey their children to and from their educational facility as well as reside in close proximity to their chosen educational venues. The residents have made Strathfield their home where their children can grow up in a safe and enjoyable environment with the knowledge that their privacy is respected.

Strathfield is not a place where there is a high influx of university students who have an independent means of wealth and transportation and therefore placing an artificial constraint on the local resident's parking, aesthetics, privacy, and safety. The environmental impact to our amenities and our lifestyles are at risk.

Furthermore, it is not a suburb that can sustain an ever increasing population which is normally associated with a high level of tertiary education as implied in the Concept Plan Application on P.43 of the ACU Strathfield Environmental Assessment - Part 2.pdf.

There is no right answer. The only logical answer is to:

### NOT ALLOW THE EXPANSION. REDUCE THE MASTER PLAN. RE-LOCATE THE WORLD CLASS EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTION TO A MORE SUITABLE SITE. NOT IN THE MIDDLE OF A LOW DENSITY RESIDENTIAL SUBURB THAT CANNOT SUSTAIN AN INCREASED CAMPUS INTENSIFICATION.

This is our home.

<u>Clause 4.6.1.a of the Strathfield DCP 2005 Part M (DCP2005)</u> states that the educational facility should provide "sufficient levels of car parking on-site for staff, students ..... so as to not adversely impact on the neighbourhood and the local road network." It further states that the educational facility should "minimise the impact on nearby properties from parking and traffic."

Both the State Government of Planning and Infrastructure and the Strathfield Council have a responsibility in ensuring that our local community is protected, that our environment is protected, that the amenities of our adjoining neighbours are protected.

### 7. PRECINCTS - MISLEADING INFORMATION

The ACU has not provided sufficient information of its proposed development plans for public viewing or discussion. There has been no advertisement, no public consultation and no letter box drop in the local area.

The only letter box drop received from the ACU was for the proposed "third community consultation session" for February 23, 2012 at the ACU. Insufficient notice was given to allow the local residents' time to attend the meeting. Furthermore, local residents including Marion Street, did not received any information whatsoever. To add to this charade, the information provided on the leaflet was incorrect and misleading.

The ACU cited that one of the key features of its proposal was that "three new development precincts" were to be constructed "at a height and floor space appropriate to the existing built form and character of the locality". Please refer to Attachment E.

The ACU deliberately misled the public into believing that there were only three new development precincts when in fact, there are four new development precincts proposed as per <u>P.9 of the</u> <u>Concept Plan Application of the ACU Strathfield Environmental Assessment - Part 1.pdf.</u>

Secondly, no reference is made to the fact that such developments were to be 2-4 storeys in height. This is a gross misrepresentation of fact, to suggest that the "*height and floor space* (of each precinct is) *appropriate to the existing built form and character of the locality*."

It should be noted that <u>Clause 4.6.1.a of the Strathfield DCP 2005 Part M (DCP2005)</u> states that "An educational establishment in or adjoining a residential land use zone.....shall not be erected to a height greater than 2 storeys above the natural ground level and no part of any building shall exceed 9.5 metres in height above natural ground level." However, "Council may consider (on larger sites) a greater height and number of storeys in the central core of the site with increased setbacks" Cl.4.6.1.b Strathfield DCP 2005 Part M (DCP2005)

It is not a foregone conclusion that each of the three and four storey development precincts will be approved by either Council or the Department of Planning and that each of the buildings need to be looked at in the context of their "bulk, scale, siting and character to existing buildings adjoining and nearby within a residential zone including any adjoining items of environmental heritage or heritage conservation areas." <u>Cl. 4.4.1 of the Strathfield DCP 2005 Part</u> M (DCP2005).

The letter to the Director General of the NSW Department of Planning dated 10 December 2010 from Silvija Smits of Hassell Limited stated that it was proposed that "Five new teaching buildings within the core teaching area of the campus" would be built.

### 8. BUILDING ENVELOPE

The NSW Government Department of Planning and Infrastructure has advised that the ACU seeks approval for six building envelopes between two and four storeys in height in its letter to us dated 16 January 2012.

However, based on the current Concept Plan Application lodged with the Department of Planning, it would appear that there are only four new development precincts outlined in the paper. This excludes the current three storey building approved on 16 December 1994 which houses lecture rooms and teacher office accommodation.

The four new proposed development precincts are:

1.	Precinct 1_South eastern	4 storey RL 51.20	Library Building
2.	Precinct 2 Eastern	4 storey RL 46.00	Education Building
3.	Precinct 3 Western	3 storey RL 42.00	Art and Science Building
4.	Precinct 4_Central	2 storey RL 40.50	Campus Facilities

Both Precincts 1 & 3 will be located on Barker Road side. The Concept Plan Application has stated that setbacks from the street frontage will be a minimum of 12m from Barker Road.

Given the total bulk and scale of each of the building masses for both precincts and the proximity to Barker Road, I would think that the minimum setback from the street frontage should be at least 15m so as to reduce the visual impact of the total bulk and scale of the development on the surrounding environment and to give credence to additional flora and fauna in sympathy with the Mount Royal Reserve.

As much as the Concept Plan Application proposes that the building envelope will in most part overshadow Barker Road as opposed to the neighbourhood residents, it should be understood that the possibility of a 4 storey building in the midst of a low density residential area will significantly stand out on an ever increasingly busy road. Moreover, its presence will most certainly reduce the land value of the surrounding residences as it detracts from the value of each of the affected properties.

### 9. GATED ENTRY

The proposal to open up four new gated entry points including the main point of entry at Gate 2 and a circular departure point at Gate 3 as well as two loading dock entry points at each end of the Barker Road site is significant.

This places an enormous strain on the traffic flow on Barker Road and the neighbouring streets including Wallis Avenue, Chalmers Road, Homebush Road and Newton Road. Already, there has been an increase in traffic flow with increased student numbers at the beginning of the University semester.

Movement of traffic across Barker Road, the roundabouts on Newton Road and Albyn Road, and the T-junction intersections at Wilson Street, South Street and Wallis Avenue are a concern. Morning traffic ferrying school kids to school are already high and the additional intensification of "P" plate university students within the local resident network adds to traffic and parking congestion as well as a real danger when 2-way traffic slows down to one-way traffic on tightly parked narrow streets such as Newton Road between Firth and South. "P" plate drivers are not as familiar with some of the road network nor road manners. Giving way to oncoming traffic when there is only enough space for one vehicle is discretionary.

University students will come and go. Residents have to live here. Why should the University, which is not yet a world class precinct, be allowed to dictate our lifestyles so that it can become one?

### **10. RELOCATION OF TRAFFIC LIGHTS**

We object to the University's proposal to relocate the traffic lights on Barker Road from its existing location to South Street.

Not only is it a waste of resources but it takes away our freedom and independence when entering and leaving South Street from Barker Road and vice versa.

Why should the local residents kowtow to the ever burgeoning ever amassing Australian Catholic University when it itself does not respect our rights as local citizens and residents of Strathfield?

### 11. WHAT NEXT?

What lies next in store for the residents of Strathfield? What else is the Australian Catholic University planning? Perhaps increased student accommodation? Or summer school?

It is well acknowledged that world class universities generally provide some form of on-campus and off-campus student accommodation as well as extended semester options.

Can the local residential environment sustain increased affordable housing for students? Perhaps boarding houses or boarding lodges?

Is this part of Strathfield Council's long term planning controls? Bearing in mind, that the surrounding area of the ACU site is a "Low Residential Housing Zone". This will not stop the University from applying once approval is given for the construction of three and four storey buildings on site.

### 12. ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

What are the real costs to the local area residents of the ACU? It may be all well and good for the University to commission a large number of studies to assess the likely affects of a "world class precinct" but is this really what we want?

### Do we have a choice?

What are the long term effects on us, as residents? Not for the students, not for the University, but what about our standard of living? The impact on our daily lives. The costs to our health, to our day to day activities, our privacy and our freedom of choice?

Do we have a right to say? I believe we do. I believe that we should not be intimidated into believing that everything the University says is true.

The reports commissioned by the University are biased and minimalises the negative impacts of the campus intensification. Why else, would they acknowledge that the overflow rate of on-street car parking at 76% was acceptable because we have free car parking spaces in front of our houses anyway?

Why is it alright for the residents to have to walk 50m or 100m to their home because they can't find street parking outside the front door of their house, even though there is an excessive number of students attending the University and parking is at a premium. Why is it alright if a senior resident who lives in the vicinity of the University, with disabilities, has to carry their groceries 50m or 100m to get to their home because they have one off-street parking on their property, even though the driveway might be too narrow or too hard to see or manoeuvre for an 80 year old. Where does it stop?

The Arup Report is cold and calculated and should not be given too much credence.

### CONCLUSION

In conclusion, the Concept Plan Application for a Master Plan should NOT be approved.

Strathfield is not the place nor the locality for a "world class (educational) precinct" of the kind that the ACU envisages in its Concept Plan. The environmental impact on the surrounding properties are significant. The scale on which the University strives for excellence does not fit the character of the surrounding area. Strathfield is a Low Density Residential suburb. It caters for a number of educational institutions in the area, but all of these are Pre-Primary, Primary and Secondary Educational Facilities.

The long term plans of the ACU's Concept Plan is expansive and will change the face of Strathfield from a quiet residential hub to a busy, active municipality which caters for a growing population of tertiary education.

# We strongly object to this proposal and request that the NSW Government Department of Planning reject the University's Concept Plan.

We hereby declare that we have made no reportable political donations in the previous two years nor up until the application is determined.

Please do not release my personal details to the ACU.

Yours Sincerely,

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# Attachment C - Student Residential Parking Monday, 27 February 2012 - 8.05am







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Content: I'm against the idea, cause it will bring long term problems to the community.

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Content: Please find attached my objection to the ACU building proposal

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DATE 5<sup>th</sup> March 2012

Mr Mark Brown Major Projects Assessment Department of Planning & Infrastructure GPO Box 39 SYDNEY NSW 2001

Dear Mr Brown,

### RE: AUSTRALIAN CATHOLIC UNIVERSITY (ACU) APPLICATION NO: MP 10\_0231 OBJECTION AGAINST CONCEPT PLAN FOR ACU STRATHFIELD CAMPUS

As residents of Strathfield and residents directly affected by the proposed expansion plans of the Australian Catholic University (ACU) for a World Class Precinct, we hereby lodge our objection to the Applicant's Concept Plan for the ACU Strathfield Campus.

We strongly urge the Minister to reject the proposal for the following reasons:

- The proposal reduces the heritage appeal and character of the surrounding low density residential area.
- The total bulk and scale of the proposed building mass <u>directly impacts on US</u>, to our "rights to privacy both visually and aurally" and the "preferred neighbourhood character" *Cl. 8.1 of <u>Strathfield DCP 2005 Part A</u> (<u>DCP2005</u>). The proposed building mass includes 2 multi storey developments on the boundary of Barker Road including one 4-storey building opposite South Street and one 3-storey building opposite Wilson Street. It not only spoils the streetscape but will be an invasion of our privacy, and in time, detracts and reduces the property values of the surrounding neighbourhood suburb.*
- The Neighbourhood Policy included in the proposal substantially fails to address the issues of parking, traffic and other amenity impacts on the neighbourhood.
- The ACU's lack of integration with the local community is highlighted by its wilful breaches of its original planning approvals and Order of the Land and Environment Court. The ACU's actions have impacted negatively on the neighbourhood, contrary to the intentions underlying the approval.
- The proposal contains invalid parking and traffic analysis data based on an incorrect assumption in relation to the growth in student numbers. This flaw in the analysis completely invalidates the conclusions reached by the University and its consultants. The proposal will have substantial traffic, parking and other amenityrelated impacts on the surrounding residential precinct. The expansion of the ACU represents a breach of resident's rights to the quiet enjoyment of their properties and will further interfere with their safety, peace and convenience.
- The Transport & Accessibility Study restricts our rights to visit family and friends. The Strathfield area has a unique community. Each family member, friend or acquaintance is separated by only 1 or 2 degrees. Facebook has helped us to stay connected. Almost everyone knows someone on each street or each block.
- The ACU's consultation with the local community has been lacking and inadequate. The ACU's selective
  provision of information to only a handful of residents was not comprehensive enough. More recently, the
  ACU's attempt at consultation via the distribution of a Flyer and the holding of a meeting at short notice does
  not reflect on the ACU's bona fide in seeking to consult with affected residents and in providing an
  opportunity for residents to express and have their concerns addressed and considered. At best, the ACU's
  consultation is merely an exercise of political pretence. There was no sincerity or good faith in their actions.
- The ARUP report analysis was based on out-of-date data relating to student numbers in 2008 and 2009. This
  is 2012. Notwithstanding this, the report was prepared on 14 December 2011 and yet there is no analysis of
  student numbers in either 2010 or 2011.

Why and how can a Concept Plan with such a significant and negative impact on local residents, not be the subject of up-to-date student information?

- The ACU is sited on 5 hectares of land in the midst of a Low Density Residential Area. That Low Density Residential Area within the ACU's immediate vicinity, bordered by Parramatta Road to the north, The Boulevarde to the east, Cooks River to the south and Centenary Drive to the west, is approximately 300 hectares, i.e. the ACU site takes up approximately 1.67% of the total Low Density Residential Area that is our home. Why should 1.67% dictate the living standards of the rest of the 98.33% of Strathfield Residents?
- The current land holding by the ACU is totally inadequate for the expansion objectives of the ACU. The site will become an unattractive area of large dominant buildings, paved or concrete footpaths, covered walkways integrating pedestrian linkages throughout the campus and a mini city within its gated walls.
- It does not provide equitable student to land ratio with say, the University of Western Sydney or Macquarie University.

-	No. of Students	Hectares	No. of Students
			Per Hectare
UWS Campbelltown Campus	4,830	166h	29
Macquarie University	30,000	130h	230
Australian Catholic University	4,800	5h	960

The student-to-area ratio is dense and inadequate, and unsuitable for the chosen environment.

- Barker Road is a local road. The Council has stipulated that the volume of traffic should not exceed 4,000 vehicles per day. The ACU proposal will see further intolerable and dangerous traffic conditions on Barker Road, as well as an increase in speed and traffic in the surrounding local streets of Strathfield.
- The ARUP report has acknowledged the ACU's decision not to provide adequate on-site parking and is
  content to accept this decision. It further notes that whilst the on-site parking increase proposal appears
  substantial, it is inadequate to meet the needs of the University.
- The Concept Plan by the ACU will NOT minimise the substantial impact on traffic and parking problems of the residents.
- Furthermore, the Concept Plan fails to maintain and enhance the character of the existing built environment and will not be sympathetic to its surrounding environment, to its surrounding historical heritage nor will it do any justice to the site left by the Christian Bros in 1993. In fact, such a development will destroy the heritage character of Mount St. Mary and the aesthetics of Mount Royal Reserve.

The Department and the Minister of Planning should reject the ACU proposal wholeheartedly. The misinformation, the use of outdated student data and the errors and deficiencies in the analysis presented by the ACU and its consultants, mean that no reasonable decision maker can make a valid decision in support of this proposal.

If these reasons alone, are not sufficient for the proposal to be refused, then the proposal should be refused on the fact that the ACU is situated on a mere 5 hectares in the midst of a 300 hectare low density residential area, has buildings of historical significance, will see an erosion of open green space and will not have comparable or adequate student: land area ratios, not to mention that the ACU has failed to adequately engage in consultations with the local community.

We hereby declare that we have made no reportable political donations in the previous two years nor up until the application is determined.

Please do not release my personal details to the ACU.

Yours Faithfully,

SIGN

c.c. *Cardinal George Pell*, Polding Centre, 133 Liverpool Street, Sydney NSW 2000. Ph. 9390-5100. Email: <u>Chancery@sydneycatholic.org</u>

Mr David Backhouse, General Manager, Strathfield Council, 65 Homebush Road, Strathfield 2135. Email: council@strathfield.nsw.gov.au

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KENNETH AND LIANA OEY 17 SOUTH STREET NSW 2135

2<sup>nd</sup> of march 2012.

TO: MR MARK BROWN NSW DEPT.OF PLANNING GPO BOX 39 SYDNEY NSW 2001

Dear Sir,

Re. MP10\_0231 Propose expansion of Strathfield campus of ACU

We as residences of South street would like to object the proposed extension as per planning lodge for the following reason:

- It is a residential area. By allowing the expansion, the area will be much much more congested with lots of traffic and parked car in and out, thus becoming a commercial instead.
- As it is, we as residences in South Street have already found difficulties in getting in and out our house as too many cars parked outside our house, many times protruding to our driveway. There are already buses passing our street. In and out our house can be quite dangerous without proper visibility. We can not even park outside our home.
- Lots of litter in the street left by students throwing or leaving their rubbish behind when they are either in or out their car. The street becomes litter and dirty ,contrary to the idea of Strathfield council making the street clean and free of rubbish.

We hope the prpposed extension be reconsidered and cancelled.

Yours Faithfully, Llana Öey Kenneth Oey

CC: -Mr Casuscelli RFD MP. Shop 1,54 Burwood Rd Burwood. 2134 -Cardinel pell, Polding Centre, 133 Liverpool St, Sydney. NSW 2000

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Content: The project will definitely affect the normal life of our local residents.

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Strathfield, NSW 2135

Content:

I'm just worried about the chaos the project can bring to the community and I will prefer not to change the current balance of our community.

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Disclosable Political Donation: no

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Content: I am strongly against the idea. I'm living close to the road, and I believe it will make parking more difficult nearby.

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Content: It can bring a lot of problems to our community and it cannot bring any benefits to us. Definitely against the idea.

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Disclosable Political Donation: no

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Strathfield, NSW 2135

Content:

Having attended a few meetings with Residents the issues are that residents feel that their property values will be devalued and residential nature of the suburb changed. Whilst the ACU wants to increase numbers . A good compromise would be to rezone the Albert Road and Barker Road to 3 story walk ups residential with basement car parking, divert traffic currently on Oxford Road and Hyde Road to Barker & Albert by closing these roads for resident only traffic or making these cul-de-sacs and remove caps on ACU numbers. The residents would be happy with some traffic Off their Roads or increased values because of Rezoning, The State will benefit with a Tertiary institution providing more services to the community.

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Strathfield, NSW 2135

Content: MP 10\_0231

I object to this ACU expansion as it will increase the traffic and impose unfair parking restrictions near my home. Can't they expand elsewhere?

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Submission for Job: #4471 MP 10\_0231 - Australian Catholic University - Strathfield Campus Concept Plan https://majorprojects.affinitylive.com?action=view\_job&;id=4471

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Content: MP 10\_0231

I object to this proposal as it will cause more parking restrictions and traffic congestion in the area. Strathfield is getting too busy already

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Content:

I am writing to oppose the concept plan Application Number 10\_0231 as I am seriously concerned about the loss of amenity, loss of parking, increase of traffic congestion in our local streets.

Already, with the current student capacity during school days, local streets crowded with parked vehicles are reducing visibility of oncoming cars at Stop signs and Giveway which increases the risk of having car accident.

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Submission for Job: #4471 MP 10\_0231 - Australian Catholic University - Strathfield Campus Concept Plan <a href="https://majorprojects.affinitylive.com?action=view\_job&id=4471">https://majorprojects.affinitylive.com?action=view\_job&id=4471</a>

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 TO CHARLES CASUSCELLI RFD MP STRATHFIELD (Major projects assessments)

 RE MP 10\_0231 by ACU
 Attachments:

 OBJECTION TO MP 10\_0231 from 88 Barker Rd Strathfield.pdf; Academy.pdf

Please see attached our reply to your letter dated Regards,

Kerry Dock

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### <u>To Charles Casuscelli RFD MP,</u> <u>Member for Strathfield,</u> <u>Shop 1, 54 Burwood Rd, BURWOOD. 2134.</u>

### From Kerry Dock of 88 Barker Rd Strathfield E: Concept Plan for ACU Strathfield - MP 10 0231

**<u>I OBJECT TO THE PROJECT APPLICATION MP 10 0231 of the ACU</u> on the grounds that we would like the project properly checked before any decision is made to approve the application.** 

6<sup>th</sup> March 2012.

Dear Charles,

Please accept our sincere thanks to you and Strathfield Council, from my family for your time, effort and genuine concern for the residents of Strathfield who live close to the ACU. If it weren't for your action, I think that we residents would forget that as group we can at least put our voice forward to some authourity who can consider the loss of what we used to enjoy and find a solution that might improve the situation we have been experiencing for the past few years.

My Mum and Dad and our family moved here in 1984. The biggest single loss of enjoyment in living in Strathfield in recent years has been the mass of cars parked in Barker Rd and adjoining streets. We live at 88 Barker Rd and we always have cars parked in front of our house, and more recently cars parked half and even right across our driveway from 8am till late afternoon. We find it unsafe and inconvenient.

My parents have always been forgiving, and I go along with them. We always try to look at the positives such as:

- 1. Seeing young people go to a learning centre and commit to study is a good thing and they are good citizens and this is constructive.
- 2. The constant passing of students might scare away would-be burglars.
- 3. I remember when I studied at UNSW at Kensington and had to find parking like these guys.

However, I can only make a decision on whether to object or support the proposal from what I hear from our residents, read in the local papers and see in letters such as yours.

My parents and I who live here have experienced substantial obstruction and danger as a result of the poorly placed motor vehicles parked near our driveway. It is hard to see past the cars when they are parked so much over our driveways and our street is not nearly as peaceful and normal as it used to be. It is generally overcrowded and an eyesore compared to previously when our streets looked aesthetically pretty and country. Our peaceful Strathfield residential neighbourhood now looks like a car park or CBD. On behalf of my parents and myself, we would like to see a proper analysis of the ACU project by you and other official representatives of Strathfield Council to make sure that any new construction improves this situation for us. This situation is one of declining privacy, increased traffic, reduced safety for all people who live in this area, including when trying to drive out of our driveways and the absence of any parking outside the houses whenever the University is open. If there is any chance that the traffic will become worse and the parking problem not improve, we would like Strathfield Council and any representative group to have the means and our vote to attain the correct action.

### Therefore can we notify you that we <u>DO OBJECT TO THE PROJECT</u> <u>APPLICATION MP 10 0231 of the ACU.</u>

Sincerely Yours,

Kerry Dock 88 Barker Rd Strathfield. 2135 email: <u>Strathfield@tenn isblast.com.au</u> Ph: 02 9746 6886 Mob: 0437 766 006 From:"clive" <yuan1@ozemail.com.au>To:<plan\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>Date:11:35 am 4/03/2012Subject:MP10\_0231

Dear Mr.Mark Brown:

I read your letter and I have to against your M10\_0231-Australia Catholic University concept plan.

Your plan make more worse and make lost of trouble for local residents.

The plan is not complete to solve before the parking problem and make the local people can not live in quite and safe area condition.

Sincerely

**Clive Yuan** 

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Dear Mr.Mark Brown:

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Your plan make more worse and make lost of trouble for local residents.

The plan is not complete to solve before the parking problem and make the local people can not live in quite and safe area condition.

Sincerely

Jing Hua Li

5 Heyde ave Strathfield

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Dear Sir / Madam

Attached is my objection regarding the proposed expansion to the ACU campus at Strathfield.

Yours faithfully

J Gereis