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Date 08/03/2012 STRATHFIELD

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32 Pemberton Street,
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I have noticed the congestion of traffic and parked cars in the streets near the University. Their proposal is a growing concern for us residents.


I object to the 4 story buildings proposed as it is not in keeping to our residence of Strathfield.

Their proposal had inadequate parking for the proposed increased numbers of students and staff of more than 5,000 in 2016. Where will the students go because of lack of onsite parking? Further, and further in our streets; invading residential parking. With an abundance of parked cars near the University, one can only assume that students prefer to drive than catch the Shuttle bus to the University.

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DARREN YIP

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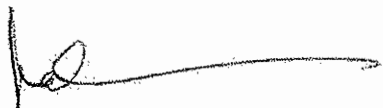
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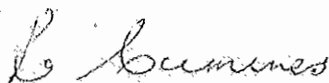
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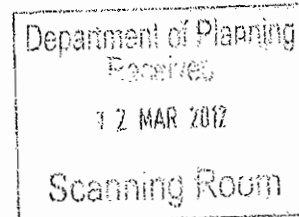


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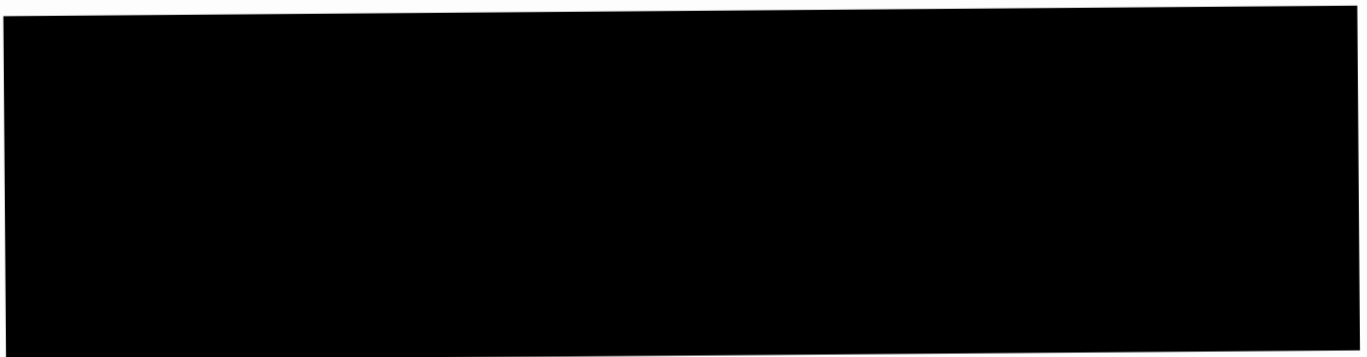
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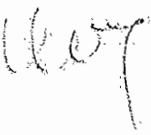
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RE AUSTRALIAN CATHOLIC UNIVERSITY
APPLICATION NO: MP10_0231

THIS IS OUR SECOND OBJECTION TO THE ABOVE.

AS MANY BREACHES HAS OCCURRED WITH
THE ORIGINAL APPROVALS THIS
APPLICATION SHOULD NOT BE APPROVED.
HISTORICALLY STUDENT POPULATION IN 1994
WAS APPROVED FOR 500 PLUS THEN INCREASED
TO 750 PLUS
ACU WEBSITE ON THEIR OWN ADMISSION
IS 1300 PLUS STUDENTS.

AS ACCURATE INFORMATION IS NOT
FORTH COMING, SPECULATIVE STUDENT
POPULATION AND STAFF IS 2400 PLUS
AND SPECULATIVE FIGURES IS AS HIGH
AS 4800

WHAT ARE THE FACTS?

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EMULATING FROM THESE BREACHES
TRAFFIC FLOW AND PARKING HAS BEEN
A PROBLEM FOR THE AREA FOR THE
PAST TWO YEARS OR MORE.

THE PARKING PROBLEM IS IMPACTING
ON OUR WILSON STREET.

WE HAVE LIVED ON THIS STREET
FOR 36 YEARS.

STUDENT CARS ARE PARKED ON BOTH
SIDES OF THE STREET LEAVING ONLY
ONE LANE FOR TRAFFIC FLOW.

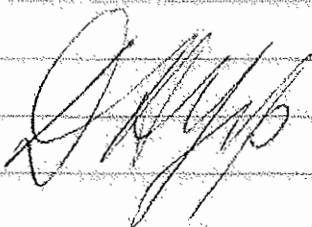
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THIS HAS BEEN REPORTED TO STRATHFIELD
COUNCIL, BUT HAS NOT BEEN RECTIFIED.

WE WILL COPY THIS OBJECTION TO
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MR ROB BOURKE AND MR KEN KANAGARALAN

YOURS SINCERELY



Patricia Yip

8TH MARCH 2012

cc MR ROB BOURKE
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Mr. J. Stenberg
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From: <MikeN@pscoop.com.au>
To: <plan_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>
Date: 9:09 am 12/03/2012
Subject: Fw: Submission re MP 10-0231 Australian Catholic University Concept Plan
Attachments: 20120312085401710.pdf

Dear Sir / Madam,

Attached please find submission re above plan.

Best regards,

Michael Ngai
6 Karuah Street
Strathfield NSW 2135

Reply to : mngai@bigpond.com

tumbleweed1.pscoop.com.au made the following annotations

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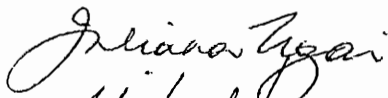
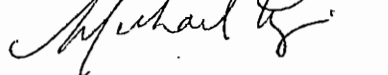
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To: <plan_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au>
Date: 6:56 pm 9/03/2012
Subject: 5 pictures for you
Attachments: IMG_0983.JPG; IMG_0980.JPG; IMG_0970.JPG; IMG_0974.JPG; IMG_0982.JPG

Attention Mark Brown

Re: ACU Concept Plan (MP 10-0231)

Thank you for replying to my concerns over the expansion of the ACU.

Attached are recent photos taken from my street, Heyde Ave, and the corners of Dickson. This clearly illustrates how bad the parking and traffic is already. Heaven knows how the infrastructure could cope if student numbers are increased. Students park far too close to corners and endangers all road users. One picture is better than a thousand words. Thanks.

Evelyn Lynch

You have been sent 5 pictures.

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Mark Brown - FW: ACU expansion MP 10- 0231

From: "Mary Moussa" <moussa_mary@yahoo.com.au>
To: <Mark.Brown@planning.nsw.gov.au>
Date: 9/03/2012 5:52 PM
Subject: FW: ACU expansion MP 10- 0231
CC: <eddm707@gmail.com>
Attachments: Preliminary McLaren Report - 8 March 2012.pdf

ACU expansion MP 10- 0231

Mark

You might recall that we were granted an extension to allow for our objection and our traffic experts report to be submitted to you. This is outlined below.

I am writing to object against the proposed development by the ACU.

As indicated in our earlier correspondence we have sought the assistance of an independent traffic experts report to examine the ACU report.

We attach this document for you to be read as part of our objection.

The report highlights the following

- 1 flawed assumptions
- 2 inaccurate diagrams
- 3 safety issues

And numerous other problems with parking and traffic management which have not dealt with the requirements needed for consent.

In addition to these matters, we are also concerned about our residential amenity, the size and number of the buildings, the increased volume of people and the loss of heritage appeal due to the concept plan.

To expand on these points.

Strathfield is a low density residential suburb with 2 storey height limits. 4 Storey commercial buildings are completely inappropriate in this area particularly as there is simply no "buffer zone" at all. We are the ACU's direct neighbours.

The ACU states that the existing Heritage buildings would not be adversely impacted by the proposal and no impediments would exist for residents to view these buildings. This is simply not true. The ability to enjoy these great buildings when suffocated by commercial 4 storey buildings will be diminished.

As a resident of Barker Road I am prepared to swear an affidavit about the capacity that my street has reached. There is no more room for more traffic flow and parking during University hours. Any suggestion that this amenity is improved by a 30% increase in student numbers is simply false. This suburb is not built for a large commercial university. The safety issues, traffic issues, and noise have

not been appropriately dealt with or considered.

In addition the ACU has been in breach of it's existing student numbers for many years. A 1994 Land and Environment Court decision set the student caps for the ACU and its own documentation demonstrates the breach. This is also outlined in Mr McLaren's report. We are concerned therefore that any approval sought for the current development fail to take into account the prior breach, and in a sense "wash away the sins of the past". This is relevant to the current proposal because the "lawful" scale of increase is far greater than the ACU documentation suggests.

For all these reasons, and for the reasons outlined in the attached experts report we reject the ACU expansion in its entirety.

I also confirm that I have not made any political donations.

Thank you

Eddy Moussa

76 Barker Rd
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8 March 2012

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Attention: Mr Eddy Moussa
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INDEPENDENT REVIEW OF SUBMITTED TRAFFIC & PARKING REPORT WITH DUE REGARD TO TRAFFIC, SERVICING & PARKING EFFECTS OF THE PROPOSED ACU STRATHFIELD CAMPUS EXPANSION

Reference is made to your request for an independent review of the traffic & parking report prepared by ARUP dated 14 December 2011 titled "*Australian Catholic University (Strathfield Campus) Transport & Accessibility Study*".

Following a detailed review of the ARUP report and recent site inspections, the undersigned raises the following matters that are considered to be of such significance so as to question the validity of the proposed development (as well as current operating conditions):

1. Current & Projected Student Numbers

Section 1.2 (3rd paragraph) of the ARUP report makes reference to the 1994 Land & Environment Court (L&E) consent for the existing Australian Catholic University (ACU) Strathfield Campus acknowledging the following L&E court imposed limits:

- 325 on campus parking.
- 510 maximum student numbers on site at any one time.

The ARUP report failed to also state the following qualifications to the maximum number of students on-site during the day & night, as imposed by the L&E court:

- 510 maximum student numbers on site at any one time during the day.
- 247 maximum student numbers on site at any one time at night.
- 190 staff.

The following extract from condition 32 of the 1994 L&E consent is relevant:

32. The number of students enrolled at the University at any one time shall not exceed 1,100 by day and 700 by night and the number of teachers employed shall not exceed 190, without the prior approval of council. The number of students in attendance on the site at any one time shall not exceed 510 between the hours of 8.00 am and 5.00 pm Monday to Friday and 247 between 5.00 pm and 9.00 pm Monday to Friday.



The above student and staff numbers apply only to the main campus and not to the Edward Clancy campus, which is subject to conditions imposed by Strathfield Council that state a limit of 240 students on campus at any one time and 38 off-street parking spaces.

After acknowledging the student, staff and car parking limits set by the L&E court for the main campus and by Strathfield Council for the Edward Clancy campus the ARUP report fails to adequately justify the increase in the student numbers currently occurring on-site (underlining a potential breach of an existing consent condition) plus the proposed increase in students, staff & on-site car parking particularly in regard to:

- Proposed vehicular access arrangements, particularly with regard to RMS / Council consultation on the form of the proposed arrangements.
- Sensitivity testing of student & staff generation levels in terms of low, medium & high levels of student & staff loads by peak time of day by season of year.
- Adequacy of projected increased car parking to accommodate student & staff generation levels.
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- External traffic impact, particularly in regard to traffic flow efficiency, road safety and residential amenity consideration with due regard to sensitivity testing of student / staff ranges in terms of arrival / departure patterns. The assessment needs to identify key / sensitive road elements within the area of influence of the ACU campus.
- Impact of parking overspill effects on nearby streets.
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The ARUP report makes a number of statements and presents diagrams that are inconsistent with regard to the existing number of students on-site at any one time. Some of these inconsistencies are highlighted below:

- Section 1.2 ... 510 ACU + 240 EC = 750 students combined.
- Section 3.8.2 ... *"Currently Strathfield campus is allowed to hold a maximum of 2,200 students at any one time."*
- Section 3.9 ... *"In 2008 Semester 1, the peak student capacity reached 884 students attending lectures and tutorials where room capacity being 1,585 at that time... Therefore in Strathfield campus the maximum utilisation of students is only 55-60% of its permissible capacity."*
- Figures 15 & 16 show student attendance levels well in excess of the 750 combined population limit.
- Table 3 in Section 4.5 shows an existing student number of 2,200 at any one time increasing to 2,400 students at any one time, thus an increase of 200 students stated as a 9% increase above the 'existing' 2,200 limit.

The student population of 2,200 is almost 3 times greater than the limit of 750 for both the ACU & EC campuses. The term "*permissible*" in Section 3.9 ignores the limits placed on the operational performance levels set by the L&E court & by Strathfield Council. The raw data details from which Figures 15 & 16 were derived should be provided by the applicant for review. The assumption that the figures include both the ACU & EC campuses needs to be confirmed.

If the limit of 750 were used then the 200 increase in students at any one time would yield a 26.7% increase, not 9%. This represents a 3 fold increase in terms of the additional change.

2. Hours of Operation

The L&E consent also specifies the hours of operation which the subject Masterplan seeks to expand without adequate justification in terms of amenity impacts.

Some relief of the impact of ACU traffic at night and on weekends should be further explored in terms of restrictive hours of operation.

3. Vehicular Access Planning

The proposed vehicular access arrangement shown in Figure 17 raises a number of concerns, as follows:

- Creation of an unconventional anti-clockwise shuttle bus movement loop that utilises retained Gates 2 & 3. Internal patron delivery & collection point is non-standard as patrons need to cross internal road to access parked shuttle buses.
- Relocating Gate 1 to the eastern boundary of the ACU site via a new set of traffic signals at the Barker Rd / South St intersection will adversely affect Mt Royal Reserve and potentially the private ROW to the east serving a residential property.
- Creating Gate 4 location at the western end of the site creates a right-left staggered T junction arrangement that is potentially unsafe if the offset distance is inadequate and results in the displacement of an existing bus stop.

4. Loss of On-Street Parking

The ARUP statement in Section 4.4 that there will be no loss of on-street parking as a result of the proposed Barker Rd / South St traffic signals has not been validated by detailed design. It is likely that some loss of on-street parking will result.

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The ARUP report states that a total of 346 spaces are provided on both the ACU (310) & EC (36) sites with 251 allocated for students and 90 for staff. This has a minor calculation error. Section 3.8.2 of the ARUP report states that with 2,200 students on-site (at any one time) that the student parking rate is 1 space per 9 students (i.e. $2,200 / 251$). The student population of 2,200 is almost 3 times greater than the limit of 750 for both the ACU & EC campuses.

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the wrong student attendance level at any one time. If the 750 student level were used then the on-site student parking rate would be 1 space per 3 students (33% on-site student car driver). Again a factor of 3 out.

The total 504 on-site student parking spaces (from Table 3) for the inflated 950 students on-site (at any one time) results in an increase in on-site parking ratio for students from 1 / 3 students to 1/1.9 students or from 33% to 53%. This contradicts the last sentence in Section 4.5 of the ARUP report that states that the *"parking ratio is still reasonably low as per Department of Planning and State Government Target for sustainable transport initiatives."*

In view of the above, reducing car dependence is clearly not achieved by the proposed development. Further, measures to discourage students and staff parking in nearby public streets have not been identified.

Section 4.6 of the ARUP report states higher on-site car parking spaces of 644 spaces (603 at ACU & 41 at EC). The ARUP report identifies that 584 spaces out of the 603 spaces will be provided in a basement car parking area accessed

6. Residential Amenity Impact

The ARUP report fails to adequately address external impact on nearby sensitive residential streets. The traffic volumes of 1,124, 651, 1,424 and 1,196 quoted in the last two paragraphs of Section 3.3 are THROUGHPUT figures only and have no application to determining acceptability in residential terms. The opinion expressed in the last sentence in Section 3.3 is not derived from any stated performance criteria.

7. Student / Staff Travel Mode Characteristics

The ARUP report fails to provide details of the current travel mode of students and staff including car drivers, car passengers, motorbikes, bicycles, walk, train, buses (public scheduled services and private ACU services), taxi and drop-off / pick-up areas. This is best achieved by questionnaire type interview surveys together with room patronage and parking surveys during the day and evening and bus patronage levels. Monthly variations in attendance should also be estimated so that seasonal impacts can be gauged. No such surveys were conducted with the ARUP report providing poor details such as the following extracts:

- Section 3.5 (last sentence) ... *"During the site visits very few students were observed to walk to the campus."*
- Section 3.6 (First paragraph, last sentence) ... *"During the site visit very few students were observed to ride to the campus by bike."*

8. Public Transport Improvements

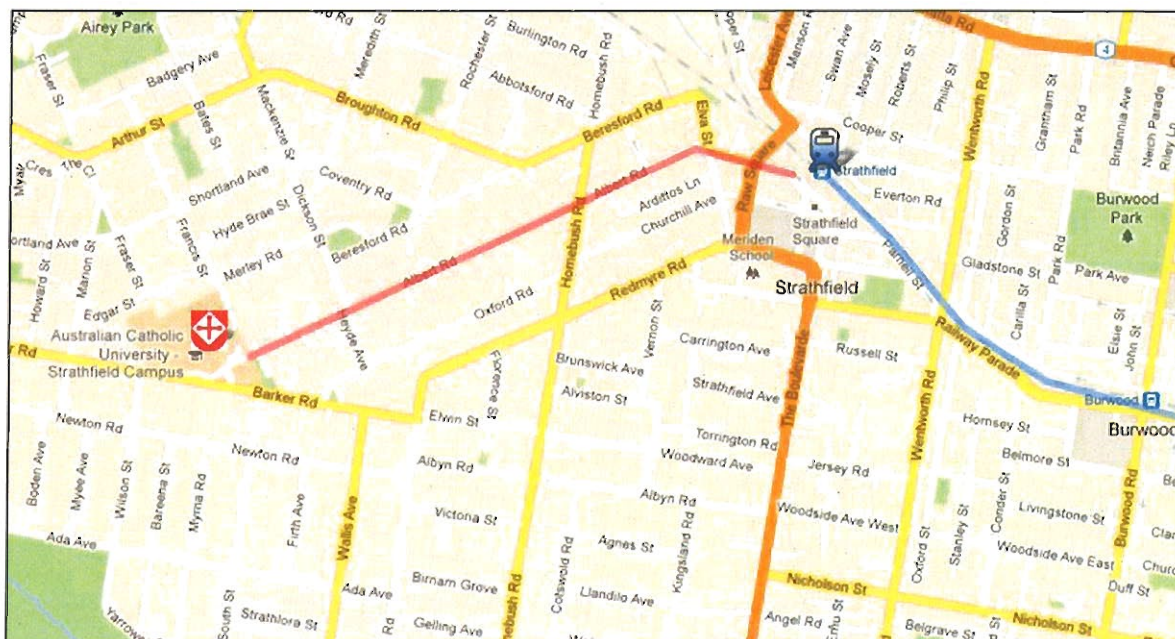
Insufficient detail is provided with respect to current public transport usage rates together with spare capacity of bus services. The statements made in Section 5.5 of the ARUP report are not substantiated. If services are poorly utilised at present it is likely that much greater parking demand will occur with resulting adverse residential amenity impacts in terms of parking demand and peak hourly traffic activity.

The site is located some 1.3km from the nearest train station (Strathfield) and details of scheduled bus route frequency and occupancy levels have not been provide.

The statements that students will be encouraged to travel to and from the site by train, bus, bicycle, car share and walk modes are not supported by details of how that outcome will be achieved and monitored. It is expected that car share schemes would

not achieve any significant change in travel mode for students travelling to and from their place of residence.

The site location with respect to proximity to high capacity (train) public transport services is shown below.



Given the long distance from the nearest train station that requires students & staff to use two modes of travel (train & bus) it is expected that higher frequency bus service provision with detailed assessment of bus / rail interchange capacity is required to provide the travel mode shift from car to rail / bus modes. The assessment of bus queuing effects at nearby rail station(s) and at the ACU site needs further detailed investigation.

Without this major investigation into whether public transport (particularly bus services) will deliver the required travel mode shift, it is expected that students and staff will continue to drive their cars to and from the site to the detriment of the local community in terms of increased car based trips and adverse residential amenity impacts.

9. Bicycle Improvements, Disabled & Motorbike Parking

The ARUP report does not identify measures to be implemented that promote sustainable means of bicycle access improvements that encourage or increase this travel mode proportion in accordance with the DGR requirements.

Section 4.9 of the ARUP report uses the 2,400 student population to arrive at a bicycle parking provision for 130 to 250 bicycle spaces based upon a range of 5% to 10%. No detailed bicycle plan has been prepared in the ARUP report.

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10. Overspill Parking Impact

The overspill parking impact assessment undertaken by ARUP is very limited as the surveys reflect a limited road grid to the south and east. The extent of the parking overspill effect is from 10.30 am to 2.30pm and ought to extend to the evening period to assess impacts at night. It is considered that the surveys need to be undertaken over a wider area, as shown below.



The parking overspill effect identifies some of the sensitive road elements that ought to be assessed in terms of peak hourly activity. There are other sensitive roads that provide access to the overspill parking areas that also need to be gauged (via peak hour flow changes) in terms of residential amenity impacts (both day & night).

The ARUP report states in Section 5.4 that 2 hour parking restrictions are proposed in some nearby residential streets (refer to Figure 21) for weekdays between 8.30am to 3pm as *“despite the significant increase in campus car parking supply, demand is forecast to exceed supply and hence overflow parking will continue to occur in the surrounding streets.”* This proposal requires Council's approval through its local traffic committee and requires consultation with local residents. The likely overspill parking effects at night have not been addressed and would be more difficult to enforce.

The ARUP recommendation relies heavily on Council enforcement, which is of concern in terms of management costs. The ARUP management plan is insufficient in detail and is likely to displace ACU parkers into residential streets further afield. The likely increase in overspill parking effects needs to be more rigorously determined based upon seasonal changes in on-site population, based upon more detailed student & staff travel mode surveys.

11. Traffic Generation & Impact

Section 5.1.2 of the ARUP report states that although the on-site car parking is doubled that the traffic generation increase is adopted as 10% which is based upon erroneous current student population levels.

Further if the AM peak traffic generation of 161 (from Section 5.1.1) is applied to the 251 on-site spaces for students, this equates to 0.64 vehicle trips per space. By applying this rate to the increase of 253 on-site student spaces results in an increase of 162 additional vehicle trips, which is a doubling of current driveway flows.

The above calculation (which excludes overspill parking traffic generation effects) highlights that the 10% increase in peak hourly flows adopted in the ARUP report is seriously flawed. Accordingly, no confidence can be assigned to the conclusions derived in Section 5 of the ARUP report.

12. Travel Demand Management

Section 3.10 of the ARUP report underlines the current deficiency of the ACU in implementing a location specific sustainable travel plan, which is a DGR requirement.

The following extract from Section 3.9 is relevant:

"However, there is no information about discouraging the car driving and encouraging the walking and cycling to the campus. There is also no information about the bike and motorbike parking within the campus."

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13. Service Vehicle Provision

Section 4.6 of the ARUP report states that 9 service vehicle spaces are proposed with no justification of the quantum necessary nor of the size of the service bays.

No swept path tests have been undertaken of the service bays. Indeed the ARUP report states in Section 4.7 that *"a swept path will be undertaken by Auto Track program in due course to ensure the adequate manoeuvre by the delivery vehicles."*

14. Other Inaccuracies in ARUP report

The ARUP report also makes the following inaccuracies in its report:

- Refers to *"Blacktown and Mt Druitt hospital development proposal"* in Section 2.1, first paragraph.
- Site maps in Figures 2, 3 & 4 are different with all figures including part or all of the St Patrick's College site as part of the ACU site.

15. Data to be Provided for Further Review

In order to further review the report findings, the applicant should submit the electronic SIDRA files and provide electronic copies of swept path tests of design vehicles using the proposed vehicular access conditions plus bus shuttle loop in accordance with AUSTROADS requirements. Detailed design of vehicular access points (Figures 17, 18 & 20) and any resulting loss of on-street parking and relocated bus stops to be provided for review.

In addition, detailed information of student attendance from which Figures 15 & 16 were derived should be provided by the applicant.

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Please contact the undersigned should you require further information or assistance.

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Dear Mr Brown,
 Objection to MP 10_0231 Australian Catholic University - Strathfield Campus Concept Plan
 I am writing to object to the proposed Concept Plan for the Australian Catholic University, Strathfield Campus. My objection is primarily based on concerns surrounding the bulk and scale of the development and the parking and traffic impacts to the surrounding streets.

Bulk and scale

The bulk and scale of the proposed development, particularly the four-storey high library development in Precinct 1, is excessive and inappropriate in the context of surrounding development. Barker Road and the surrounding streets primarily comprise of 1-2 storey residential dwelling developments and are overwhelmingly residential in character. The four-storey building envelopes will dominate the streetscape and will severely affect the residential character that Strathfield is renowned for.

The proposal to locate the four-storey heights at the interface between the university and residential land uses should be reconsidered. If the proposed development was located near the centre of the campus rather than at the campus boundary, the visual impact of the development will not be as adverse.

Parking and traffic

There are already parking and traffic problems associated with current ACU students utilising nearby residential streets. The proposal of a new underground car park, an increase in off-street car parking and the provision of extra shuttle bus services are merely band-aid solutions to the current problems, let alone addressing the future car parking demands of the university and its ambition to increase student numbers.

I also challenge the effectiveness of the proposal to introduce time-limited parking in the area. From my observations of a similar strategy used at the University of New South Wales, it will merely shift the problem further away from the campus and does not solve the future parking demands of students.

The preparation of a comprehensive area-wide transport and parking study is required to properly consider parking and traffic impacts of the development. Approval should not be given prior to understanding the wider traffic and parking implications of the development.

Yours sincerely,

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Key reasons are.

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As the University has proved in the past it has no regard to a Court Ruling. A State Government Minister granting this University permission to proceed with this proposal will simply ratify the University's past disregard to a lawful ruling and encourage them to open a new page of grow into the future heedless to the damage caused to us and our surrounding neighbours.

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I strongly urge you to disapprove this application No. **MP 10_0231** from Australian Catholic University.

M Gore

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To
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RE:
APPLICATION: AUSTRALIAN CATHOLIC UNIVERSITY, STRATHFIELD CAMPUS.
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To whom it may concern:

I would like to put my strong objection to the above application in our residential area for the following reasons:

- This is a **residential area** and we like it to remain it as a residential area.
- Already there are **quite a number of students pass through and park** in our street.
- We want our street parking for our visitors and us and **strongly object to traffic and parking changes.**
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OBJECTION AGAINST CONCEPT PLAN FOR ACU STRATHFIELD CAMPUS

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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 directly impacts on US, to our "rights to privacy both visually and aurally" and the "preferred neighbourhood character" Cl. 8.1 of Strathfield DCP 2005 Part A (DCP2005). 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.

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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.

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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.

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The Concept Plan by the ACU will NOT minimise the substantial impact on traffic and parking problems of the residents.

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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,

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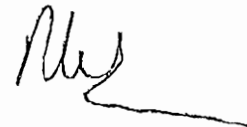
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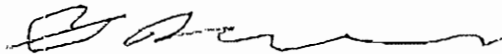
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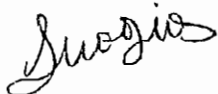
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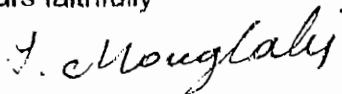
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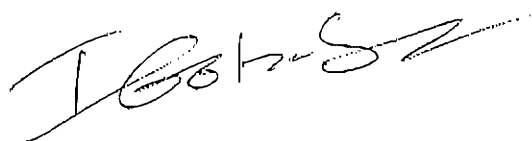
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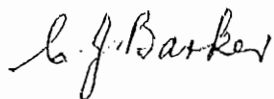
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We hereby declare that we have made no reportable political donations in the previous two years nor up until the application is determined.

Please do not release my personal details to the ACU.

Yours Faithfully,

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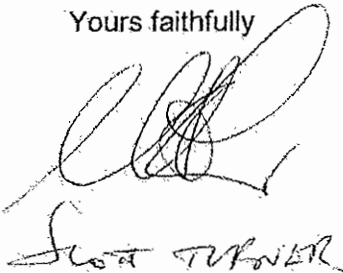
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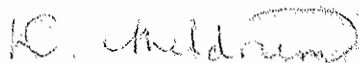
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