

I am contacting you to register my objection to the proposed 24 storey tower block in the Pemulwuy Project.

Foot traffic has rightly been recognised as a potential problem for the project.

I live on the South side of Lawson St.

I catch the train to and from work, and in the evenings coming from the station often have to stand aside to let groups of students three abreast pass. On two occasions I have been verbally abused for not stopping to let others pass ... Lawson Street South is already over capacity for pedestrian traffic.

Developers have said that the additional foot traffic generated by this new building can utilise Caroline Street.

One side of Caroline is an already narrow footpath, made almost impassable for more than single file by the residents storing their rubbish bins outside their houses. The other side is also quite narrow at the western end. The street will already be much more heavily used than it currently is by the new residents of Precinct 1, and by foot and vehicular traffic at the proposed child care centre, with people dropping of and picking up children.

The developer's survey for the area's foot traffic was not carried out on a typical semester day and needs to be carried out again, at a time that is properly representative of a day during the University term.

I'm really dismayed that a building of this size is being proposed for University students.

The block is special to our Aboriginal community, and 62 affordable houses are being proposed for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders, while housing is being planned for 596 students, effectively turning the project into what will be essentially one large dormitory.