

The fact that this ill-conceived development could ever have been approved is mind boggling.

Who in their right mind would locate a hospital a school and a pre-school all in such close proximity?

And then to top it off approve a 300 car space housing development in the same location.

This would have to result in heavy traffic congestion which is the last thing one would want for emergency vehicles and sick people being dropped off and picked up from hospital before and after major surgical procedures.

The early morning school drop off is already congested and very slow even before the preschool is opened but now the planning (or lack of it) would add a potential 300 cars to that.

The last traffic survey in the area was done about 10yrs. ago which is totally unacceptable.

There is talk of widening the road which would result in the children losing the calming effect of having trees outside their classroom windows to be replaced by noisy traffic rushing past, to say nothing of all the street parking that would be lost to the parents.

We all know that cramped conditions with lack of sunlight and fresh air are not optimal conditions for children to develop in .They need space to move and play and kick a ball to develop into healthy productive adults.

The fire danger that this development would add to ,is already considerable, with the Fox Valley Shopping Centre and the part of Wahroonga accessed by Fox Valley road being the only exit road in case of fires .The fact that Comenarra Parkway passes through extensive bushland and could easily be blocked in the event of major bushfires is very concerning as that would give only Fox Valley road as an access and exit road for the whole SAN complex of hospital school and preschool and the suburbs accessed by Fox Valley road. The bushland reserves along Comenarra Parkway are steep sided and make bushfires extremely difficult to control in windy hot conditions which we are experiencing more and more frequently now.

Yours faithfully

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