

I have lived in Catherine field for the past 23 years and am a neighbour who lives in the vicinity of the proposed Minarah College. I enjoy the rural life and I Strongly oppose this proposal for the following reasons:

The result of the school will be contrary to the existing rural Zone and Local Amenity.

The proposed development has not taken into account **Section 94 Contributions Plan.No5 Trunk Drainage dated 22/2/93.**

There are major flooding issues that have not been addressed in the Proposal especially effecting the neighbouring properties and adjacent properties. The proposal states that they had a walk over the proposed land and have come to a conclusion that putting in underground drainage/pits, retaining walls etc will solve the flooding problem. The problem will not be fixed for the adjoining properties as the proposed boundary fencing and retaining walls will restrict water from flowing naturally to the proposed site and will flood the neighbouring properties. We as neighbours have seen firsthand the amount of water that accumulates on the proposed site, it is like a flowing river. Fixing the water issue on the proposed site is not enough it needs to be fixed further uphill where the water flows from. The proposed buildings will collect more water and cause an even bigger problem dumping more water on Catherine Field Road which is a safety hazard to drivers and to other properties.

They propose to fix the problem in front of the school but what about the large amount of water that rushes from the southern end easement between 254 and 260 Catherine Field Road, from Heatherfield Place and toward and past the proposed site impacting the immediate properties and adjacent neighbours further down.

Only one entrance and exit for a school of this size, safety hazard.

Hours of operation – this school will be operating approximately Monday to Sunday 7.00 am to 9.30 pm, this is not normal school hours, therefore I suspect that this is a business of somewhat as Halls and Sports field will be HIRED out to the broader community, (these broader communities can use halls and sports fields in their own local government area). These hours are very unfair to the immediate residents and local community, this is a very quiet rural area. Catherine Field already has a Community Hall for Hire and a Free Sports field less than a kilometre from the proposed site.

Another concern is what are the restricted numbers for the proposed hired hall and sport field after school hours and during the weekends/evenings and if there are any Alcohol restrictions. The Community Hall at Catherine Field has only a limit of 120 people and alcohol rules.

The Parking is another concern not enough parking on site according to the proposal, for staff, parent visitors and again visitors while hiring out the hall and sport field.

It is only common sense that cars WILL park on both sides of the road in the vicinity of the school, this is unsafe as Catherine Field Road is a Narrow Road and has no kerb and gutter or footpaths or street lights.

Traffic will be another major problem, according to the proposal the majority of students will be “travelling by car”. Catherine Field Road, will be immediately affected with traffic chaos as seen in other schools in the area, along with parking chaos. Adding to this there is only one way in for traffic travelling in both directions and only one way out which is on a bend so the line of site is not 100% visible.

Catherine Field Roads are very poor, there continuing road works for pot holes, I have had many tyres replaced. These roads are a concern, especially traffic trying to avoid pot holes and crossing over to the other side of the road onto oncoming traffic which I have near avoided.

As an immediate concerned neighbour, I TOTALLY OPPOSE the Proposed Minarah College.