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To: amendments
Subject: Lilydale Quarry Plan

To Whom It May Concern,

I am writing to you with the concerns that my family and I have with the development of the Lilydale Quarry. Although I do understand that people need to reside somewhere, the over development of Lilydale is going to ruin the lifestyle and aesthetics of Lilydale and turn local thorough fare roads into car parks during peak times in the morning and afternoon.

I have read the traffic impact report and to conclude that in 2030 with the addition of a further 3000 dwellings and hence 6000 vehicles, that there will be no impact on the current traffic of the roads surrounding the Lilydale Quarry Plan is laughable. Trying to turn right from Balcombe Ave onto Mooroolbark Road was only difficult during peak hour only a few years ago. In 2020 it is a nightmare anytime of the day. Mooroolbark Road and Hull Road are only single lane roads and cannot cope in peak hour with the number of cars currently travelling along these roads. The small amount of road work on Hull Road near the Mooroolbark Road intersection over the last 2 weeks has caused mayhem and added at least 25mins travelling time during peak times. These roads not designed to cope with thousands of cars every day. For the road network to cope with the extra volume of cars the infrastructure needs to be in place first. It is much more difficult and more costly to try to add necessary infrastructure once the area is developed.

It is quite clear that those in charge of this project do not live or travel through this area. If the 8.30am school commute was experienced by any of the planners, more thought would have gone into this project.

It is very disappointing that we have chosen to reside on the out skirts of Melbourne for the “country feel” to living. Now the VPA wants Lilydale to become like any other inner city suburb with medium density, multi storey dwellings. Our suburb will become like Box Hill or East Doncaster with multilevel buildings, that are aesthetically ugly and an eye sore.

Kind Regards

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