

**BARNEY WALKER PPC48 HEARING SPEECH – 24 JULY 2019**

I'm Matt Peacock and will be reading Barney Walker's statement on his behalf.

I am opposed to the proposed development because no provision has been made for the additional impact it will have on local infrastructure and services.

Firstly the school does not have the capacity to support additional students. In the longer term my understanding is that the school premises can be expanded to compensate for this but at a cost to the tax-payer and with a reduction in the green space available to the pupils.

Secondly the traffic going through Oakura is likely to significantly increase as a result and there are not adequate calming measures as it stands. Increased traffic with no additional infrastructure (for example extended 50 kilometre per hour speed zone and safer crossings around the school) is going to increase the probability of an accident.

Overall little thought appears to have been put into this proposal for development with regards to the wider community so I am opposed to it.

Thank you.