

ARCHITECTS

Victoria Park Christian School

27 MAY 2021

Response to Community feedback. RE: 32 OSWALD ST, DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION 5.2020.704.1

As per the document provided by council there have been 14 submissions regarding the proposed addition to the school.

The subject raised by all 14 submissions was regarding the issue of a lack of street carparking in the area, the reasoning for this as understood from the submissions is;

- Office workers parking all day despite the 2 hour time limit on the streets.
- Perceived additional traffic with the recent expansion of Regent College.
- People parking and visiting businesses on Albany hwy nearby.

There were no objections noted to the proposed building or increase in numbers.

PUPIL ENROLMENTS

CURRENT: 130 students PROPOSED: 180 students

On behalf of the Victoria Park Christian school we have reviewed these submissions and makes the following 7 responses to these traffic and parking concerns.

Schools are active in regards to increase traffic movements focussed around pick up and drop off times These times are,

8.30 am - 8.40am

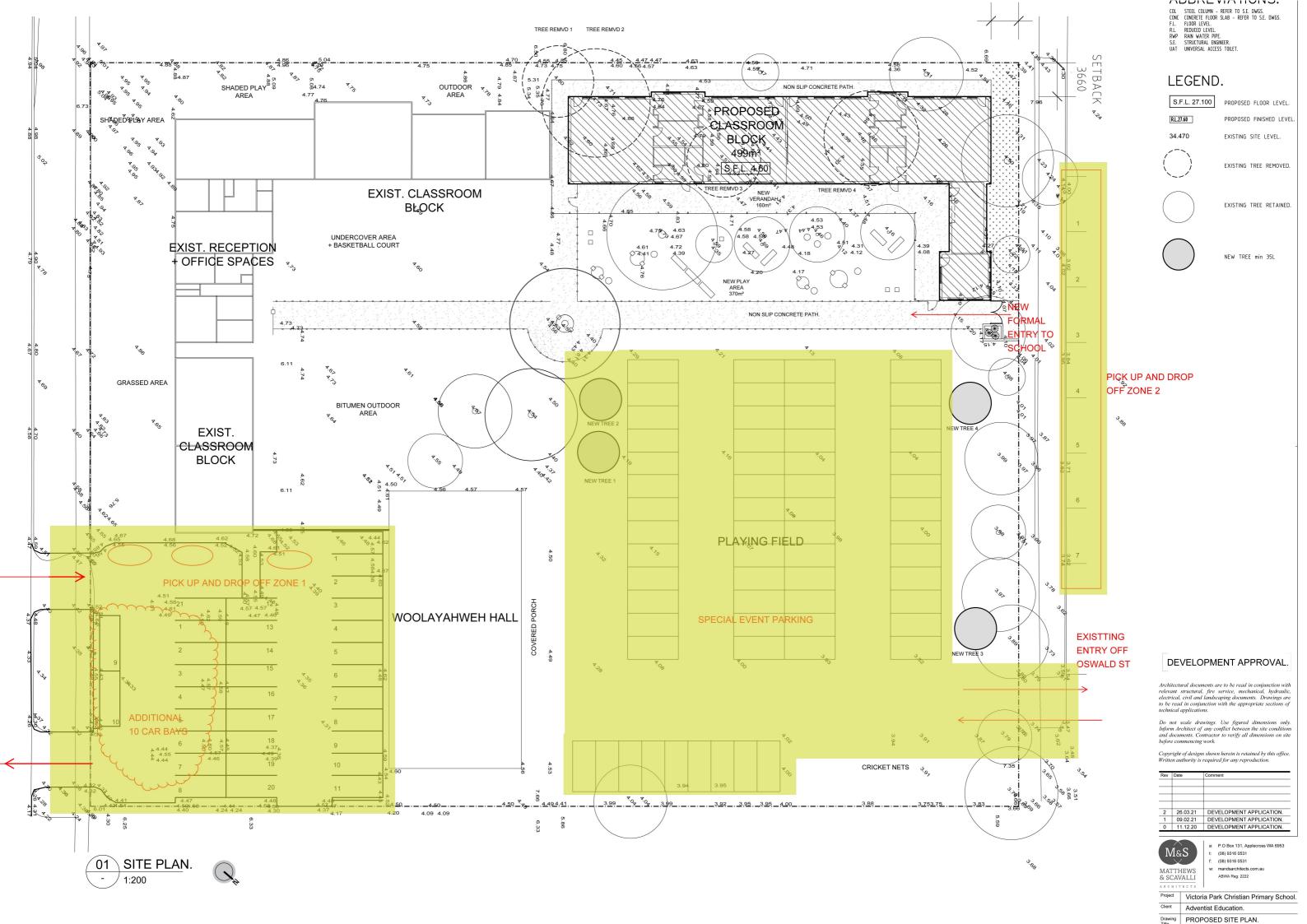
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3pm – 3.30pm.

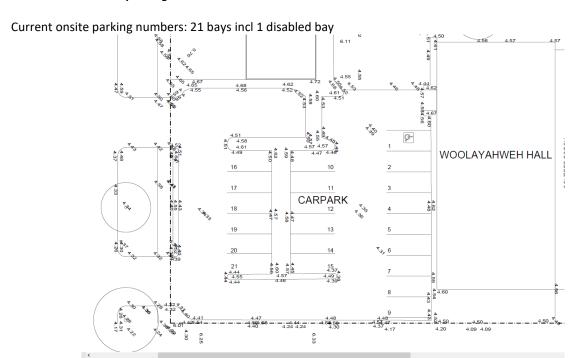
The majority of traffic movement is very short term pulling up to allow students to exit/enter the car. Younger years ie Kindy to Pre primary may require the parking of cars to walk students in to the school, though a drop off and pick up flow through service is offered by Victoria Park Christian School.

The school has and proposes a range of differing approaches to minimise traffic impact on the surrounding area these are;

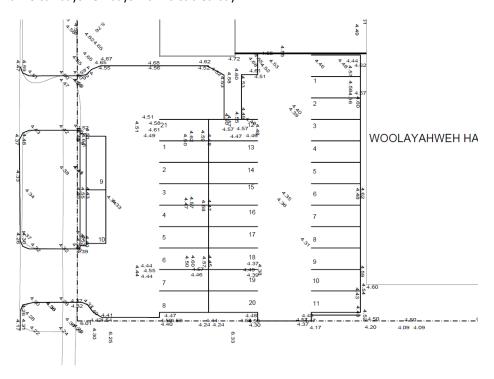
- 1. Providing increased on site parking, an additional 10 bays, increasing total carbays on site to 31.
- 2. Continuing to provide kiss and drop area 1
- 3. Providing kiss and drop area 2
- 4. Continuing to provide a student bus service
- 5. Continuing staggered school pick up times
- 6. Further encouraging students walking to school.
- 7. Continuing to provide school event parking.



1. Increase in on site parking



Proposed additional 10 car bays: 31 bays incl 1 disabled bay



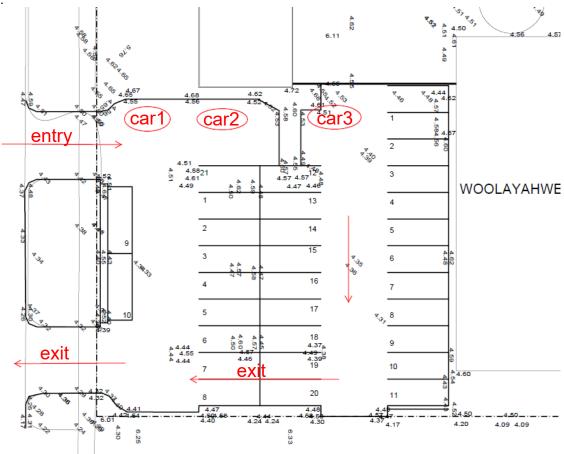
2. Kiss and Drop 1

Kiss and Drop area off Colombo street contained on the school site

Victoria Park Christian School will continue to provide Kiss and Drop facilities for their school community within the school carpark contained on site.

This facility is currently in operation and will continue to be available with the redesign of the carpark as shown below, 4 of the additional car bays will convert to drive through zones during school drop off and pick up times only.

This will ensure continuous traffic flow in the street in relation to Victoria Park Christian School student movements.



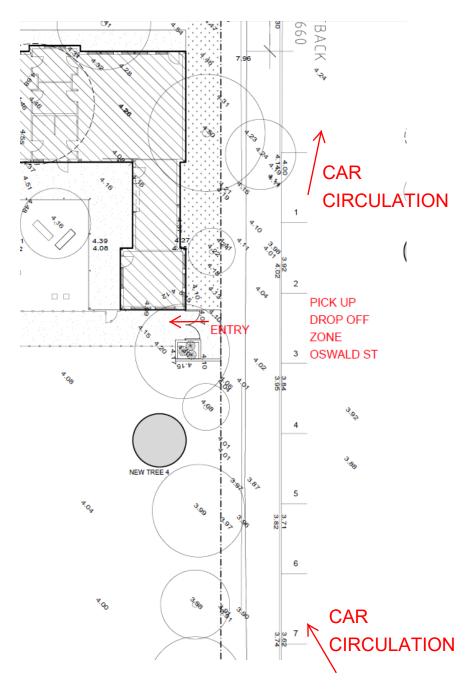
KISS AND DROP CIRCULATION DURING DROP OFF AND PICK UP TIMES ONLY.

3. Kiss and Drop 2

Request allocation of 7 parallel car bays on Oswald street fronting the school site are allocated to the school.

This will allow an effective pick up and drop off zone to be implemented by the school servicing the new building and the whole school and take traffic load off Colombo street which currently services Regent College as well as Victoria Park Christian school.

This pick up and drop off zone will be staffed to enable all years, K-6 to use the facility off Oswald street. A formalised pedestrian entry for the school is proposed off Oswald street.



KISS AND DROP CAR CIRCULATION DURING SCHOOL DROP OFF AND PICK UP TIMES ONLY.

4. Student Bus Service

Victoria Park Christian School will continue to operate and expand their bus service

The 2 buses 12 and 24 seat operate currently as follows

Morning drop off 8.30-8.40

Enter the school carpark every morning 8.30-8.40 to drop off the students - up to 36 students (current)

Afternoon pick up 3.10-3.15pm

Pull up against the verge of the school off Oswald street to pick up the students up to 36 students. (current) This bus service is able to currently cater for 36 students

5. Staggered pick up times

Victoria Park Christian school will continue to operate the staggered afternoon pick up times

Kindy and Pre - primary pick up 3pm -3.10pm Years 1-6 pick up 3.10pm - 3.30pm

This enables parents who need to enter the school to get younger students are able to use car bays provided whilst parents picking up older students are able to use the kiss and drop facilities.

6. Students walking to school

Victoria Park Christian school encourages local students and their families to walk to school. The school advises that 20% of students enrolled at the school walk with their family to school. 20% of 130 is - 26 Students

7. School Event parking

Victoria Park will continue to enable special event parking on the school oval

The school opens the oval to school community parking with access off Oswald street weekly for school assemblies and annual school community events.

The Oval is easily able to accommodate 61 cars

