

What we heard:

- Any forecasted increases in traffic should consider existing traffic conditions outside of AM and PM Peaks, during the weekdays. The study should not just consider weekday AM peaks, weekday PM peaks and Saturday peaks, but also all hours over the weekend.
- The design of the proposal must consider how pedestrian access will be arranged and whether it will encourage parking in local streets. Safety of pedestrians in surrounding streets must be considered.
- The traffic study should consider the summer months, when use of the Ryde Aquatic Leisure Centre is increased.
- The traffic study should address the impacts on Tennyson Road and the roads surrounding the Ryde Aquatic and Leisure Centre.
- The proposal should consider limiting site access to Victoria Road only.
- It is unclear whether deliveries will be 24 hours and what routes the delivery trucks will use. Delivery hours to the Bunnings site should be considered.
- The study should consider the number of trucks that will be accessing the Bunnings site and include any other vehicles from bulky goods retailers.
- The Saturday AM peak traffic is not as bad as shown in the traffic data collection. In reality, it is significantly less.
- The traffic generation from the Bunnings site is likely to impact surrounding areas throughout the week and on weekends.
- The traffic study should model separating the industrial traffic from residential traffic.
- The existing industrial buildings are generally closed by 6pm during the week. The hours of operation of Bunnings are likely to be significantly later and will impact on the amenity of residents in the area.
- The retail catchment of Bunnings needs to be identified
- The traffic generation rates for the traffic study should be in line with those of Bunnings rather than the standard RMS data.