

10 February 2022

Yarrayiambiack Shire Council  
PO Box 243  
Warracknabeal VIC

Attn: Planning Department

**T56-21 – Application for 2 Lot Subdivision of Crown Allotment 2002, Parish Ashens**

I have read the material submitted in connection with the above proposal which was available from 2 February 2022. I am the owner of 18 Degenhardt Street Murtoa, located on the corner of Cromie and Degenhardt Streets immediately opposite the Crown Allotment the subject of the application.

I object to the application on the basis that it separates the valuable vacant land from the original school buildings, without any obligation on the owners to maintain the heritage buildings and prevent their continuing decline. The owners have made no visible attempt to maintain the heritage buildings. Failure to impose some requirement to do so will allow the owners to develop or on sell the vacant land without requiring any immediate or ongoing investment in ensuring the town's heritage buildings do not fall into complete disrepair.

To be clear, I have no objection to the vacant land being ultimately used for additional housing or development, which no doubt would be a benefit of the town. But any such development should be dependant upon proper maintenance or restoration of the heritage buildings.

I also confirm for completeness that the documentation associated with the application was only available for a week prior to the deadline or today as originally an incorrect (and irrelevant) document was uploaded to the Council website in place of the application documents. In the circumstances, perhaps an extension of time for submission of objections would be appropriate. Also at the time of writing the link on Council's website to the Objection Form provides a message "Page Not Found".

If you would like any further information from me in relation to this objection, I can be contacted by telephone or email as below.

Yours faithfully



Carla Degenhardt

