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The Proper Officer  
Department of Planning and Environment  
Attention: Growth, Design & Programmes  
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I wish to object to the proposal to develop St Andrews Road Varroville as a four-lane road. Such a development would adversely and seriously affect the Mt Carmel Retreat Centre.

Recently refurbished, at great cost, and close to St Andrews Road, the Retreat Centre relies on quiet surroundings, not only for the Friars, but also for the retreatants who go there seeking spiritual benefits, for which peace and tranquillity are essential.

A four lane road would generate a great deal of traffic and noise, destroying that peaceful setting necessary for the Retreat Centre to function. Retreatants will not go where there is not peace and quiet. Consequently the proposal for the road will cause great economic hardship to the Carmelite Friars.

In addition, the Carmelite Nuns, further up the road, will also be adversely affected by noise.

I respectfully request that the Department not go ahead with this proposal to make St Andrew's Road into four lanes.

Yours truly,



Joyce Mitchelmore