

6 February 2017

Minister Anthony John Roberts Department of Planning & Environment (DPE) GPO Box 39 Sydney NSW 2001

Dear Minister,

## Subject: Redevelopment of Harbourside Shopping Centre SSD 16\_7874

As a Pyrmont/Ultimo local resident for more than 18 years, I would like to express my **strong objection** to the current proposed development.

The proposed residential tower is excessively high and will be against the interest of more than 14,000 existing local residents for reasons below:

- 1. The **Heritage Pyrmont Bridge** is an icon of Sydney and for everyone to share. Adding a high rise residential tower on it will **reduce public access and forfeit the enjoyment of most local people and tourists.**
- 2. Pyrmont is already known for its high density. Like many families with young kids, we **need** more child-friendly open space, sunlight and blue sky, not another high-rise residential tower.
- 3. There is no necessity to add more high-rise residential buildings at Pyrmont/Ultimo area given the dozens new residential buildings added to the landscape of this area in the past 10 years. This proposal is seen by many locals as nothing but the greed of the developer who trying to "rob" the public interest for their own benefit.
- 4. The proposed residential building will certainly add hundreds if not thousands residents thus more traffic/crowds to the areas, add more grid locks and **soon make Pyrmont/Ultimo not liveable** for local residents.

In summary, Darling Harbour is a place for everyone to share and a Sydney icon. Any development within this area must serve to enhance the tourism and also the public interest. This proposal fails in meeting this core requirement. The DPE should be acting as a custodian of the Harbour and reject this proposal.

Yours sincerely,