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NSW Department of Planning

Darling Harbour Live, Haymarket residential development

Thank you for the opportunity to comment about these proposed developments.

I make my comments as a local resident since 1999 and have three matters of concern.

1. Education infrastructure

I would like the development assessment process to include the Department of Planning and the Department of Education determining the need for additional public education infrastructure as part of the development consent. The Haymarket residential development is within an already stressed catchment for the Ultimo Public School. The pressure would be relieved if the new development included schooling facilities. As an idea: a partnership with UTS would seamlessly extend the existing education precinct within the residential development and I expect would add value to the development. Imagine people studying at UTS from ages 3 to 30! (plus us post grad mature people of course!).

2. Noise from Event Deck

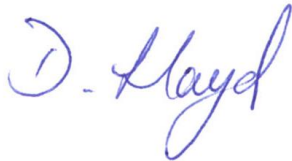
The planned Event Deck at Darling Harbour sits highly prominent to Ultimo residential neighbourhoods. The proposed elevation will cause event noise to intrude too much into surrounding residential zones. The noise assessments in the DA indicate EPA recommended levels will be exceeded several times per year. Why should people of Ultimo accept this? The noise studies also indicate a general increase in noise within the EPA limits, but representing an increased noise level overall, relative to current ambient noise. This will have an adverse impact on local residential amenity. My preference is that events are designed to be within the development rather than on top of it, adjacent to residential properties. Alternatively, noise barriers should be included within the design and constructed as part of the development.

3. Darling Harbour and Entertainment Centre visitors parking in quiet residential streets

Relocation of the Entertainment Centre together with reduced parking facilities will put additional pressure on street parking in adjacent residential neighbourhoods. I am not

concerned with competing for limited street parking. This is an acceptable attribute of living in an inner urban area. However, I am concerned about the increased comings and goings of revellers late at night after events at the Entertainment Centre and Darling Harbour. Such events often involve alcohol consumption which adds to the boisterousness of revellers and will disturb the peace currently enjoyed by residents. A solution to this would be to place further restrictions on street parking to deter its use as a surrogate car park for Darling Harbour. For example, Bulwara Road Ultimo currently has 1-hour ticket parking until 9.00pm. This means revellers could park from 8.00pm and return through the early hours of the morning singing and slamming car doors after lengthy conversations outside people's homes about the excellent time had at Darling Harbour. I suggest that the parking restrictions in residential areas be extended to dissuade people from using those areas as a Darling Harbour car park.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "D. Lloyd". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

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