



12 December 2013

Att: Nina Blunck
Transport Projects
Transport for NSW
L17, 388 Pitt Street
Sydney NSW 2000

Dear Nina,

Re: CBD & South East Light Rail Environmental Plan

On behalf of Haymarket Chamber of Commerce we would appreciate the ongoing involvement and effective communication to date on the proposal for the CSELR project.

Despite this we would like to express our concerns about a few matters relating to the CSELR Environmental Plan which is bound to have major commercial impacts to our local area businesses and residents.

The Key issues that we would like to submit are;

1. Concern for the proposed 50% use of Belmore Park for Light Rail building site/storage.

Belmore Park is the only green public space our high density area provides for local community and visitors. For the area to be used as building site will effect the limited space it provides for our community and also impact on the events scheduled in the park such as the Food Trucks United Friday night events and potential festivals that are being discussed. The park acts as key access point to Haymarket/Chinatown from Central Station so the traffic to and fro through the park may also be affected. We recommend that if building storage is required that it not exceed more than 10-15% of the north east part of the park.

2. Request that Transport NSW develop a plan to support the local commercial community through a Haymarket Local area fund for events/celebrations and local area marketing to ensure that Haymarket is still 'open for business' during the intense development years.

Considering the local area has ongoing high traffic to retail businesses due to the roll out of the Light Rail build it is likely to affect the area's everyday trade. We request that a local area business plan/funds be established to support the high impact years of building and developing the Light Rail. These funds can assist in local area events and local area marketing to support and encourage ongoing visitors and trade to Haymarket and ensure we are still 'open for business'.

3. Key access points into Haymarket/Chinatown be displayed and communicated online and offline to residents and visitors

That an effective printed and online communication plan is established to ensure local area businesses and residents are informed about key stages of the build, concerns and clarity to



the access points and high effect areas this development/build will have in throughout the area.

4. Request for a more detail construction program should be provided relating to the Haymarket area and the extent and scope of work which affects the retail shops and other businesses at Haymarket should be more clearly defined.

Again we reiterate that our aim is to support our hundreds of local businesses we represent and the local community who are key stakeholders and customers to our members

We hope that our submission is carefully considered and that the impact to the new Light Rail is co-operative with the local area needs and its commercial growth.

If you require any further information please let me know.

Thanks

Kind regards

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