

Submission regarding SSI 7485 (WestConnex M4-M5 Link-Mod-2)

I believe the proposed modification should be rejected for these reasons:

1. it will substantially complicate access to the parklands at Glebe Point for pedestrians and cyclists approaching from Rozelle and Lilyfield due to the loss of the previously included "Greenlink". In addition, access to the foreshore will be complicated and difficult for people coming from Annandale because of the complicated traffic arrangements at Johnston St.
2. the plan seems to require removal of many mature and well-established palms trees, Melaleucas, Casuarinas and other plants along The Crescent and City West Link. This, combined with the destruction of Burawan Park, will produce a particularly ugly landscape at the head of Rozelle Bay.
3. the amenity of the apartments beside the light rail line will be significantly impacted by the traffic noise and visual effects of the elevated overpass that would begin quite close to Johnston St. Furthermore, street access to this group of apartments will be substantially impaired by the very complicated and difficult intersection at Johnston St / The Crescent.
4. the mural along the brick wall beside The Crescent, an important local landmark, will be largely obscured, damaged or destroyed by the planned overpass.
5. the proposed modification is unlikely to ameliorate the traffic congestion currently affecting The Crescent, Johnston St and the City West Link intersection.

In summary, the modified plan seems worse than the previous one and request that you revert to the earlier version.

Sincerely,

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