

**Application Number SSI 7485****WestConnex M4-M5 Link – Modification 2 The Crescent overpass**

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Thankyou for the opportunity to make this submission in opposition to *The Crescent overpass and active transport links Modification to West Connex*.

The proposed shared cycle/pedestrian overpass at the Crescent in Annandale is a missed opportunity, representing a poor design outcome for a significant site on the foreshore of one of the world's great harbours.

It is also not best planning practice. Austroads guidelines recommend *shared paths should be used only where user numbers and cycling speeds are low*, and VicRoads is revising their recommendation to recognise that *separated or well segregated paths better cater for high numbers of users*. The shared pathway on the Anzac Bridge is a demonstrable failure, rendering it unsafe for the elderly, the young and the mobility impaired due to the proximity of cyclists.

Good governments have left lasting legacies around Sydney Harbour such as Ballast Point and Barangaroo for all to enjoy, poor governments have left their's too such as the Cahill expressway and Darling Harbour's Western Distributor. This proposal will provide the latter.

Sydney deserves better, and so I urge you to determine against the modification.