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Glebe  
NSW 2037

9 November 2019

Planning and Assessment  
Department of Planning, Industry and Environment  
GPO Box 39,  
SYDNEY NSW 2001  
**Attention: Director – Key Sites Assessments**

RE SSD – 8924 – The new Sydney Fish Market Concept and Stage 1  
SSD – 8925 – The new Sydney Fish Market Stage 2

**LETTER OF OBJECTION**

Dear Sir/Madam

This letter of objection to both DAs is made on the following grounds:

**ENVIRONMENTAL** - Building on the proposed location will mean disturbing existing toxic sediments, including Arsenic, Mercury, Lead, Copper, Cadmium, Nickel and Zinc which are all present in high levels; as well as petroleum hydrocarbons, organophosphate pesticides, herbicides and asbestos.

Any contamination will risk the 26 fish species and over 50 species of molluscs, starfish, sponges, oysters and macroalgae that have been identified in Blackwattle Bay, and will incur further significant costs to remediate it.

**TRAFFIC CONGESTION** – The traffic modeling is purely a projection and does NOT take into consideration the additional traffic generated by any highrise residential development on the current and other sites in the precinct. None the less, the Government's own modelling confirms there will be at least 400 additional vehicles utilising Bridge Road to enter the car park during the week day peak period of 5pm to 7pm (not to mention the additional taxis/Ubers delivering diners to the new venue). That is a 100% increase on current levels.

**PARKING IN GLEBE'S RESIDENTIAL STREETS** – The proposal asserts that any overflow of demand on the car park, particularly during lunchtime periods, will be nullified by management plans. Those plans cannot be guaranteed, and neither can the projection of driving behaviours. There will be a very strong motivation for drivers to park in Glebe's residential streets – with free parking in many streets in the evenings and weekends.

**DISCRIMINATION AGAINST PEOPLE WITH MOBILITY IMPAIRMENT** – The DA papers acknowledge that the Glebe Foreshore walk is amongst the best in the world. The proposed extension of the walk at the Fish Markets forces walkers to climb stairs, and those in wheelchairs to find a lift inside the building – a contravention of the Disability Discrimination Act 1992's requirement that people with disabilities have 'equitable', 'independent', and 'dignified' access "on the same terms" as people without disability. This is shameful discrimination by the State Government and its agencies.

**LOSS OF AMENITY** – We finally have the opportunity to deliver a unique natural amenity where Wentworth Park meets The Bay. Many global cities would envy our natural harbour and the lifestyle it offers many local generations to come. The Government leaves no legacy to those generations if its short term motivation is speculative land development coupled with building over water – all because it lacks the expertise to plan responsibly.

Yours faithfully,

N. Godfrey

SIGNATURE

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PRINT NAME

## Sydney Fish Market Development Applications (2)

The proposed \$750 million new Sydney Fish Market, that would be built on Bridge Road, over the water of Blackwattle Bay, will create problems for Glebe residents. The current market is badly in need of an upgrade. But the Glebe Society believes the new market should be built on the current site and will be making a detailed submission to that effect.

### **Our concerns are:**

- Contamination of Blackwattle Bay**
- Heavy peak hour and evening traffic congestion on Bridge Road**
- Customers parking in Glebe's residential streets**
- Discrimination against people who have mobility impairments**
- Loss of a natural connection between Wentworth Park and Blackwattle Bay**

If you share these concerns, we encourage you to **object to both DAs**. You can read both DAs at the following links:

The new Sydney Fish Market Concept and Stage 1:  
<https://www.planningportal.nsw.gov.au/major-projects/project/10011>  
The new Sydney Fish Market Stage 2:  
<https://www.planningportal.nsw.gov.au/major-projects/project/10421>

The DEADLINE for submissions is **5 pm on Wednesday 13 November 2019**.

If you cannot lodge online, you can write to the address below. If you want the Department to delete your personal information before publication, please make this clear at the top of your letter. If you post or hand delivery your submission, it needs to be received by the Department before the close of the exhibition period and include the following:

- Your name and address, at the top of the letter only;
- The name of the application and the application number;
- A statement on whether you support or object to the proposal;
- The reasons why you support or object to the proposal; and
- A declaration of any reportable political donations made in the previous two years.

To find out what is reportable, and for a disclosure form, go to [www.planning.nsw.gov.au/DonationsandGiftDisclosure](http://www.planning.nsw.gov.au/DonationsandGiftDisclosure) or telephone the number below for a copy. Note the disclosure requirements apply however a submission is made.

**For more information:** 1300 305 695

Planning and Assessment, Department of Planning, Industry and Environment, GPO Box 39  
SYDNEY NSW 2001 (your submission should be marked, Attention: Director – Key Sites Assessments)

**You should therefore post by Monday morning, 9 November.**

**A suggested objection is written for you overleaf; however, if you are able to personalise your submission, including the points that are included above, that will have a strong impact.**

Authorised by the Management Committee, The Glebe Society Inc.

