



Application: Sydney Metro Victoria Cross Over Station Development – Stage 1 Concept Approval Modification Application No. SSD-8874-MOD-1

ATTENTION: DIRECTOR – KEY SITES ASSESSMENT

I am informing you of my objection to the construction of a parking station within the Victoria Cross over station development. I believe it will encourage commuters to drive into the North Sydney CBD, undoing any gains from the Metro train service. I don't see this as a serious attempt at "revolutionising the way Australia's biggest city travels" as stated in your marketing – parking stations do not deal with traffic congestion. At a time when driving is supposed to be in decline and residential developers are striving to reduce parking requirements, a commercial parking station for 150 cars is being proposed. This is not, in my view, the future-thinking urban design a viable civic centre like North Sydney needs.

It should also be considered that North Sydney is not only a business centre, but a place of residence for many. Any commercial planning should address the concerns of residents, as well as business. Whilst we are supposed to be moving towards climate neutrality, air-polluted traffic gridlocks are of no benefit to either the locals or the office workers of North Sydney.

Please give my objections careful consideration.

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Regards