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Subject:

Access road to Glebe Island Expo

Dear Ms Roach

1. Could you please confirm if bicycle riders will be able to access the Expo entry from James Craig Drive as stated in the EIS, at Appendix E, section 5.6. This seems to conflict with statements elsewhere in the EIS that cyclists will have to catch a shuttle bus in, similar to pedestrians.

2. Bicycle parking in car park A is being provided, but is this for everyone or staff? And why is it placed as far away in that car park from the Expo as possible? Why not encourage bicycle use by locating parking more conveniently?

3. Also, can you clarify if cyclists will be able to use Sommerville Road from where the path off the Anzac Bridge cycleway at the Digger statue meets it? There is a wide footpath leading down to the Expo entry road from there that could be a cycleway or shared path.

4. Is there any impediment to allowing cyclists to use Sommerville Rd and the new CPT road to get to and from the Robert St connection proposed in the EIS? This would be a valuable direct bicycle link between Rozelle and Balmain and the Anzac Bridge, bypassing the existing route along Victoria Rd shared path at White Bay. This route has been identified as a desirable one in the Leichhardt Bicycle Strategy.

My group and Bike Sydney had extensive talks with Sydney Ports last year about facilitating this link. The only reason cited against including it was security, to keep people out of the general Rozelle Goods Line area, but now that there is to be a connection to Robert St this must not be such an argument. The DG of Planning said in his approval for the port road and CPT that nothing should be done to prevent such a link in the future. It seems to me that the link could now be approved, or facilitated by construction of a path from Robert St, next to the port road, connecting with Sommerville Rd, if safety is cited as a reason not to allow bicycle access on the road.

Waiting another four years or more for this link is too long, so I urge the Department of Planning to amend the proposal to include direct bike access to the site from Anzac Bridge and Robert St.

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