

To Whom it May concern,

As local Darlington residents, we wish to submit the following comments in regard to the University of Sydney's proposed 2014-2020 Campus Improvement Program. On the whole we are supportive of the University's development objectives and acknowledge their positive impact on the broader community, however there are a number of points which we are concerned have not been adequately addressed in the Environmental Impact Assessment, outlined below:

**1) Proposed centralised service/delivery/distribution centre, Engineering (Shepherd street)**

The CIP proposes rationalisation of the University's service and delivery traffic via the construction of central distribution centres at each of the main campus precincts, consolidating external supplier and delivery traffic and enabling efficient redistribution on campus. Despite the construction of a major delivery hub on Shepherd street, the EIS does not identify, discuss or make any acknowledgement of potential traffic impacts on Shepherd street as a result of this particular development.

Referring to the Engineering precinct Vehicular and Pedestrian access figures, note that the proposed access diagram featuring the centralised delivery hub shows all traffic access via the western Abercrombie/Shepherd st. This would represent an ideal but unrealistic scenario considering that the fastest and most direct path to the proposed loading facility for vehicles entering from Cleveland st, City road (East), and Parramatta rd/Broadway is via Cleveland st and then along Shepherd st to the proposed depot site. There is no strategy outlined in the EIS or supporting documentation to manage the routing of delivery/service traffic, or for that matter any quantification or discussion of this traffic as the data and modelling provided refers to student/staff traffic only.

In addition, the impact of additional Shepherd st traffic could also potentially be compounded due to the the proposed construction of the new Engineering building, particularly regarding noise pollution due to traffic which could potentially be amplified depending on the construction of the building and the degree of acoustic management applied.

It would seem that a sufficiently thorough environmental impact assessment would include consideration of the potentially significant impact of re-routed delivery, service and contractor traffic on Shepherd st and the resulting implications.

Regards,

Residents of 59 Calder Rd