

Attn: Director, Infrastructure Projects Planning Services,  
NSW Department of Planning and Environment,  
Application Number: SSI 6307  
GPO BOX 39,  
SYDNEY NSW 2001

RE: WestConnex Project & Impacts on 5 Northcote Street, Haberfield (M4 East EIS ref: Northcote St Tunnel Site)

Dear Sir / Madam,

I am writing to you voicing my concerns after review the recently released M4 East- Environmental Impact Statement. Points which must be addressed now are as follows:

1. The proposed planning to completely close access to Parramatta road from Northcote street impacts severely on my mother's life and creates an impasse which cannot be tolerated.

Mum visits her husband (who suffers from dementia and other compounding complications) who is in a nursing home at Burwood. Mum visits my father **on a daily basis** by bus along Parramatta road to ensure his mental wellbeing and physically that he eats at least one full meal a day.

Removing mum's access to the Parramatta Road Bus Stop destructively impacts on my mum's life style as she is an elderly 76 year old and a long time sufferer of osteoarthritis. She can only walk short distances, and alternatives to her current travel practice imposes additional distances which will make her housebound and unable to visit her sick husband who resides full time in a nursing home in Burwood. Importantly, my mum's potential inability to visit her husband daily will result in health damaging anxiety and on a broader scale; a loss of independence which will negatively impact on both her and my father's lifespan.

**Some form of suitable and secure pedestrian access from Northcote Street to Parramatta Road is paramount and now sought.**

Solution: Redesign to incorporate secure pedestrian access from Northcote Street to Parramatta Road.

2. Loss of property value due to the large exhaust stack, visually impacts the property from the back yard of my parents' property.

Solution: Consider acquisition (see attached request for voluntary acquisition, letter dated 22 June, 2015).

3. The Exhaust stack will concentrate the exhaust fumes from the M4 & future extension, to the properties in the near-field zone of which includes my Mum's subject property.

The consequent health risk to my elderly mother and visitors is not acceptable nor sustainable at this stage.

Solution: Consider acquisition (see attached request for voluntary acquisition, letter dated 22 June, 2015).

4. Breaking up the community mum relies upon. The acquisition of the neighboring properties are properties of friends and support persons she relies upon for assistance. The loss of this support is a non negotiable as she lives alone, is frail and is 76 years old.

Solution: Consider acquisition (see attached request for voluntary acquisition, letter dated 22 June, 2015).

5. Should noise levels from the monitored compound exceed acceptable levels my mum will not be able to tolerate any length of time required to correct such planning deficiency (as provisioned by the project team; refer consideration of attenuation levels, Ref NV9 Vol1A Part 6 of the referenced EIS).

Note that alternative accommodation, if provided by WestConnex, may not be acceptable to my mum from a health and wellbeing perspective.

Solution: Consider acquisition (see attached request for voluntary acquisition, letter dated 22 June, 2015).

Primarily I request a solution be determined and implemented to mitigate the hardship issues resulting from closure of Northcote street to Parramatta Road (refer details under point 1 above). Hence my request for minor changes to the existing plans, and consideration of acquisition, due to the negative impact on my mother's health and wellbeing by the West Connex project during construction.

My mother's property will be sharing a boundary with a 24 hour/ 7 day a week work site compound for purposes of construction of the WestConnex project (M4 east).

Further, as a matter of high priority, I request your considered response to my brother's letter requesting voluntary acquisition, letter (dated 22 June, 2015). My brother, Carmelo (Mel) Cassisi, forwarded this letter to WestConnex on behalf of our family (my siblings and parents Mr & Mrs V. Cassisi).

Regards,

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{On behalf of: Mr & Mrs V. Cassisi}.