Diane Sarkies - North West Rail Link

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Re Application SSI-5414

To Whom It May Concern

I would like to express my strong objection to the proposal to use light rail for the North West Rail Link, rather than extending the existing rail system. I believe this strategy is short-sighted and not in the best interests of current or future residents of the area.

In the short term it will create over-crowding and inconvenience to both commuters and off-peak travellers to and from City destinations. Having to change trains at Epping and Chatswood will increase times for journeys for commuters. For everyone else, it will impose difficulties, which will be particularly severe for disabled passengers and parents with prams and strollers.

Given the certain population growth in the north west area, I believe the problems created by the proposed strategy would only be exacerbated, should it be implemented.

There is still time to abandon this foolish plan and revert to the original decision to extend the existing rail line.

Please consider local residents and do so.

Regards Margaret Brown 27 Wyralla Avenue EPPING, NWS 2121