

**Diane Sarkies - application number (SSI-5414)**

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Attention: Director, Infrastructure Projects

Dear Sir

I am writing to **OBJECT** to the proposal for the North West Rail Line as outlined in EIS2.

I live in Beecroft and purchased our home two years ago specifically because of its proximity to Beecroft railway station offering direct access to the city via rail.

I am extremely concerned by the NWRL proposal that will result in me needing to catch three trains to get into the city and three trains to get home again. There is likely to be crowding at Epping and Chatswood which will further complicate the changing of trains, make the daily commute more cumbersome, lengthier and make it likely that I will need to stand the entire trip during peak hour.

This will in turn force more cars onto our already crowded and very expensive roads into the city.

By living in Beecroft we are already penalised by excessive tolls (M2, Lane Cove Tunnel, Harbour Bridge/Tunnel) and now we are to be further penalised by debilitating cuts to our rail link.

Beecroft was built around the railway line. The very existence of Beecroft was predicated on the opening of the Northern line and it is a key reason why many people have purchased homes in Beecroft in the proceeding 120 years. To remove Beecroft's direct rail link is an act of very poor faith.

Removing Beecroft's direct rail link to the city will damage our property values. I am concerned that I will be paying a mortgage on a property purchased at a value reflecting its direct city rail access when it doesn't have that access and the value falls as a result.

I strongly object to any proposal which removes our direct link to the city.

Yours sincerely

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