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Regarding: Plan # SSI-5414 – Northwest Rail Link

To whom it may concern,

I would like to register my objection to the proposal.

This proposal will create great disruption to those people who currently use the Northern Line linking from Hornsby via Macquarie University to the city. Requiring these people to change at Epping and then again at Chatswood will create dangerous congestion at both these stations and add considerably to their travel times. This will make a 45 minute journey over one hours long. I don't believe that everyone will be able to fit on the next train to come through but will need to wait for addition trains. Even if everyone currently catching the train between Normanhurst and Cheltenham decides to go via Hornsby instead (the old route) the station congestion will just be transferred back to Hornsby making runs between Hornsby via the North Shore Line even more congested than what they currently are.

The proposal also disadvantages the people on the North West Rail link route as a metro style carriage is not suitable to the length of the journey they will be undertaking.

Instead, the government should insist that the tunnels be built to accommodate the current double deck trains. This allows for everything to be integrated within the one system and also allows for future growth. The smaller tunnel will only restrict growth in the future.

Regards,
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