

Objection to the proposed route for the Sydney Metro City & Southwest Corridor and Twin Tunnel

**Attention: Director, Infrastructure Projects**

Chatswood to Sydenham Impact of Sydney Metro City & Southwest Corridor and Twin Tunnel Route. **Application number SSI 15\_7400:**

I am writing to object strenuously to the route being proposed for the Sydney Metro City & Southwest Corridor and Twin Tunnel as it crosses from the Victoria Cross Station to the Barangaroo Station. As I understand the relevant details (see Appendix E of volume 2b, p. 6 and Appendix H1 of volume 2b, p. 10) of your seven volume Environmental Impact Report, the permanent noise and vibration levels arising from the proposed route will significantly and negatively impact on Mitchell Gardens, our residential complex of 13 townhouses situated at 29-33 Mitchell Street, McMahon's Point. However, this disruption is avoidable. I specifically object to the proposed route swinging sharply West from Chuter Street toward Mitchell Gardens while veering away from the Corporate Head Office & NSW Operations Office of Compass Group Australia at 51-55 Mitchell Street, McMahon's Point. While the noise level for three of the Mitchell Gardens units has been assessed as 26-30 dB, that for other units has been assessed as 31-35 dB. In contrast, the non-residential office complex at 51-55 Mitchell Street (the former Pacific Magazines building) remains unoccupied at nights, weekends, and public holidays and will thus be less affected.

Local residents, as both taxpayers and ratepayers, have a right to the uninterrupted, peaceful enjoyment of their homes. Your Summary admits that, "in 2024, there will be ultimate capacity for a metro train every two minutes in each direction under the city." As a consequence, the character of our Mitchell Street precinct, a highly prized and sought after dormitory area, will be severely and irreversibly impacted. It will no longer be "whisper quiet."