

Stanton Precinct
C/o Customer Service Desk
North Sydney Council
200 Miller Street
North Sydney NSW 2060

8th June 2016

Major Projects Assessment Department of Planning & Environment GPO Box 39 Sydney NSW 2001. Department of Planning Received 1 7 JUN 2016 Scanning Room

Dear Sir,

Stanton Precinct is a community organisation meeting once a month to discuss local issues. It is supported by NSC. Our meeting on 7th June was attended by 18 members of the public and the Metro EIS was discussed, the following issues were identified as having a negative impact on all of those residents.

- Traffic: We are most concerned about the number of trucks that will be driving though our already congested streets. In particular the night time noise that will be generated by the huge trucks. The changing of gears on our steep streets will be unbearable. Will trucks waiting to load, be parked at night on side streets where the drivers talk loudly and also start up engines creating even more noise?
- **Pedestrian Footpaths:** Concern was expressed about the narrowing of the footpaths in Miller Street. Miller Street already has huge volumes of foot traffic so to narrow them even more will be make it very difficult to get to the many businesses in the vicinity.
- Relocation Bus Shelter: Members need to know where the bus shelter stated to be relocated from 194 Miller Street is to be relocated to? Many elderly people rely on this bus stop as it gives them level access to the surrounding area. Many find it difficult to climb the steep slope up Miller Street.
- Connecting Tunnel: Members were astounded to hear that no connecting tunnel was planned between North Sydney Station and the new Metro Station. They urge the NSW Government to reconsider this connection as it will benefit all who use the Metro and North Sydney Station.
- Loss of Street Trees: Precinct abhors any removal of the mature street trees in Miller Street These trees offer shade and ameliorate pollution from the traffic. Many developments take great care not to destroy the street trees but the Metro project seems to dismiss the trees as just another nuisance to be got rid of.

We presume the assessment for this project will take into consideration our concerns. The well being of all residents will be compromised if overnight truck noise goes on for the many years that it appears this project will take to complete.

North Sydney is a small compact suburb so all residents will be impacted one way or another by the building of the Metro.

The many schools in the area will have concerns when the students need to take important exams and truck noise disturbs their concentration.

We will have further discussion on the project and will be interested to know what is planned for the space above the station at Victoria Cross.

Yours faithfully,

Barbara Noden

Chair, Stanton Precinct.

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