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To whom it may concern.

Major Project Application MP10_0048 - Barangaroo Headland Park - Main Works – the Carpark

I have not made any donations to political parties in the past two years.

I would like to object to the above proposal, particularly the car park, on the grounds that the entrance to the proposed carpark is located on the corner of Towns Place and Dalgety Road.

For some time now residents at Towns Place and the surrounding area have been voicing their concerns about the entrance to the car park being placed on this corner. To date those concerns have been largely ignored by the plan.

The residential area surrounding Towns Place, has had a history of being overloaded with traffic noise - traffic accessing Millers Point from Hickson Road and Dalgety Road. Dalgety has become the main avenue for cars and buses to access, and wait for access, to Argyle and Kent Streets since Pottinger Street has been closed to traffic. Hoons, creating significant noise, already congregate on Towns Place, there has been special arrangements put in place in order to control hoon noise.

The corner where the car park entrance is proposed to be located is a blind corner, with traffic speeding down the hill from Argyle Street and buses roaring up the hill from Towns Place there is already excessive noise.

Towns Place apartment bedrooms face Dalgety Road, Towns Place and Hickson Road, and there is already a history of noise problems. I do not think it's wise for the authority to have 300 more cars, per event, or per day for business, drive past roads that circle our building, and the surrounding residential areas on the hill and along Walsh Bay to get to the parking area. When would people sleep?

Dalgetty Road is a wide road with very narrow footpaths on either side making it extremely pedestrian unfriendly and would be unsafe with so much extra traffic passing by. This has become a major issue recently with pedestrians and cyclists entering the Barangaroo foreshore walkway. In fact, it would be a very good idea to put in a pedestrian crossing opposite the gateway to the Barangaroo foreshore walkway to protect pedestrians crossing the wide roadway on the corner and another one further up the hill on Windmill Street, where people walk up to access Argyle Street as this is a blind corner for pedestrians, and many of us have been almost collected by cars when we are crossing Windmill to go up to Argyle at the overpass

It would be best for the car park access entrance be relocated to Hickson Road before the two overpasses, where only business will be affected, well away from the residences and pedestrian traffic entering the Headland Park from Towns Place and Walsh Bay.

Furthermore, there is already at least two private car parks on the stretch of Hickson Road from Towns Place to Pottinger Street, probably amounting to 300 private places, so I am not sure why anyone would need another accessible car park in that particular area. For this reason alone it makes more sense to have the Barangaroo business community use the car park under the planned park, rather than the business community in Walsh Bay using it, and for it to be accessed from the business end of town. This would be better planning.

Bringing over 300 extra cars in this manner into this residential area will:

- overload the area with car parks;
- significantly increase noise in a residential area when there is already a history of noise concerns in the area;
- will not allow people in Towns Place and the surrounding residential areas to rest or sleep;
- jeopardise safety of both pedestrians, traffic and those living in our apartments through, adding a high volume of cars, the increased incidence of speeding, and pedestrian use of narrow and unsafe footpaths.

I would of course remove my objection to the car park, if the car park entrance could be located at the business entrance of the park, further down Hickson road at the Barangaroo Business end.

Yours faithfully

Elizabeth Lowrie – an owner of an apartment in Towns Place.