

**Submission to Application Number** SSI-7485-Mod-2

**Assessment Type** SSI Modifications

**Development Type** Road transport facilities

Please find below my objections to Application Number SSI-7485-Mod-2 WestConnex - M4-M5 Link MOD 2 - The Crescent overpass and active transport links Constructing a grade separated vehicular overpass comprising a two-lane east-bound flyover separating the at-grade intersection at The Crescent and City West Link and relocation of the Rozelle Rail Yard Pedestrian and Cycling Green Link.

1. The increase surface roads will bring more traffic to the Crescent and Johnston Street Annandale.
- 2 Annandale Residents will be cut off from the Foreshore and the ANZAC bridge cycle route into the city by wide busy roads.
3. With so little open space in the Inner West, connectivity is critically important to linking our open space together.

-the revised plans of The Crescent overpass have removed a vital proposed pedestrian and cycle “horseshoe bridge” that crosses the City West link

-created the road crescent road overpass (flyover).

The importance of being able to access and enjoy outdoor spaces has been especially evident during the COVID lockdown. We need to be increasing the connectivity of open space to make the most of this precious resource. The visual impact of the pedestrian horseshoe bridge is minor in comparison to the impact of the proposed road overpass.

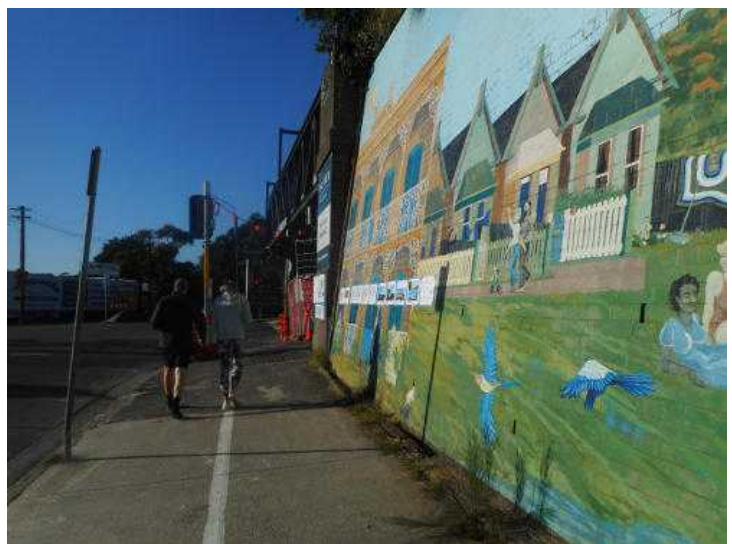
People on foot, bicycles, with prams, dogs and children to cross a wide, busy roads by these plans.

- pedestrians, dog walkers and cyclists crammed into a tiny space on the corner of Johnston Street and The Crescent as they wait to cross.
- People will have to wait for the lights to change allowing 90 seconds to cross – with everyone bunching up and not able to spread out.

I would also like improvements to the connection between Railway Parade and Rozelle Bay. Mums with prams, kids on scooters, cyclists and the elderly need a level safe connection to the foreshore.

The crescent mural which is a local heritage listed item will be obstructed by the proposed roads and ramps.

Interchange between the bus and light rail is an important public transport interchange needs to be convenient and safe for people waiting for or alighting from buses on the Crescent.



*The Crescent Mural, Annandale, 12 May 2020*

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