



SUPPLEMENTARY BUSINESS PAPER

GENERAL MEETING

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The North West Rail Link project is a state significant project which will provide more transport options for residents and businesses in North West Sydney. While Council looks forward to benefits the project will bring to the area, Council is committed to working with the NSW State Government to ensure the best possible outcome for local residents. Council's submission to Environmental Impact Statement 2 noted a number of areas of concern, particularly the use of local residential streets. The proposal by the NSW Government to turn Robert Road and Franklin Road into access routes to Cherrybrook Railway station is unacceptable to the community and I believe that Council must pressure the government to review this decision.

In recent years Council has worked to get traffic management right in the Cherrybrook area. The current traffic management arrangements in County Drive were developed in close consultation with the community, RMS and the Police. Council is confident that County Drive can provide a good level of service for buses and other vehicles accessing Cherrybrook railway station and that access by local residential streets is not required or appropriate.

RECOMMENDATION

THAT:

1. Council write to The Hon Gladys Berejiklian Minister for Transport, objecting to the use of local roads for vehicle access to Cherrybrook Railway Station, as proposed in Council's submission to EIS2. Such a position would lead to a loss of residential amenity, lead to safety concerns resulting from 28 buses an hour conflicting with parent traffic at Tangara School and Inala Special School, and result in the loss of on street parking in residential streets.
2. Council request that the Director of The North West Rail Link Project Team facilitate a meeting between the Project Team and Council to develop alternate vehicle access options via County Drive and Castle Hill Road.

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Mayor

Attachments:

There are no attachments for this report.

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