



INNER WEST COMMUNITY NEWS

A WESTCONNEX UPDATE FROM JO HAYLEN MP YOUR STATE MEMBER FOR SUMMER HILL SEPT 2015

Why I don't support Westconnex

For me, the decision to oppose Westconnex is a personal one.

I've met with residents whose homes are being compulsorily acquired. I've listened as they shared their deep uncertainty about the future.

I've spoken with those residents who will be left behind, with parents concerned about the health of their children and the safety of their local streets.

I've joined with community leaders who are rightly outraged at the lack of transparency and misguidedness of this government.

Westconnex will rip a hole in our beautiful heritage suburbs and the Government doesn't care enough to explain to us why.

As a community, we're stronger than the Government gives us credit for. I know that our voice is louder when we stand together.

I urge you to fill in the submission on the back of this letter and send it back to my office for submission to the EIS community consultation.

I urge you to add your voice to the growing chorus who want the project abandoned.

In the weeks and months ahead, I assure you I stand with you, shoulder to shoulder, in opposing this road.

Jo Haylen

LABOR MEMBER FOR SUMMER HILL

WESTCONNEX:

What is the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS)?

The EIS is a statutory requirement for any major infrastructure project. It must contain details of all the impact of the project on the local environment during and after construction.

In the case of the Westconnex M4 East Tunnel, it provides us all the information about air quality, traffic and transport impacts, noise and vibration, property and land use, human health impacts, damage to heritage and local biodiversity.

Typically, an EIS is used to evaluate the merits of a project and allows the Planning Department to put conditions on the project's approval. What this Government has done differently though is that they awarded and signed the contract before releasing the business case, the EIS or gaining planning approval.

The EIS is the only chance for residents to formally tell the Baird Government what they think of the project and have the plans changed.

I've supplied a suggested submission on the back of this update for you and your family. It's the easiest way to make a submission. Alternatively, you can write your own submission and submit it online at majorprojects.planning.nsw.gov.au or post it to:

Westconnex M4 East Tunnel (SSI 6307)
NSW Department of Planning and Environment
GPO Box 39 Sydney NSW 2001

EIS Community Action Day

Come along!
WRITE A SUBMISSION
kids can draw a submission

SAT
17 OCT 2015
12.30-4.30pm

St David's
Haberfield Hall
51 DALHOUSIE ST
HABERFIELD



HANDS OFF HABERFIELD & ASHFIELD

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN,

I make the following submission to the Environmental Impact Statement exhibition for the Westconnex M4 East Tunnel Project (SSI 6307):

I am opposed to the construction of the M4 East Tunnel and do not believe that spending \$15.4 billion to achieve a 6 minute travel time saving is justified. The Government has ignored the community by signing contracts to build this road before releasing this EIS, the full business case or obtaining planning approval.

The EIS shows that this unjustified project will irreversibly destroy the heritage values of Haberfield, Australia's oldest garden suburb.

I want the following addressed from the EIS:

- Filter the smoke stacks and relocate away from schools and childcare centres.
- Build a noise wall for properties in Ashfield next to the Parramatta Rd interchange, during and after construction.
- Stop rat-running through Haberfield and Ashfield, by removing the right turn into Waratah St, Haberfield and close Chandos St at Parramatta Rd after construction.
- Offer voluntary acquisitions and WDA-funded dilapidation reports for those properties near construction sites in Northcote, Wolseley, Wattle, Walker, Ramsay, Chandos and Loftus Streets.
- Restrict tunnelling and truck movements to standard construction hours – no 24/7 truck movements.
- Return acquired properties not required after construction to Ashfield Council for community use and public open space.

This project will not solve Sydney's traffic problems and NSW taxpayers money is better spent investing in Public Transport. Please consider my concerns and address them in your response to the community's submissions to the EIS.

I also want addressed:

Yours sincerely

(SIGNATURE)

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Please return in an envelope to:

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Member for Summer Hill

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