

Submission

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INQUIRY INTO THE UTILISATION OF RAIL CORRIDORS

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The Chair
Committee on Transport and Infrastructure
Parliament House
Macquarie Street
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Dear Chair

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Council acknowledges the NSW Parliaments letter (30 November 2012) requesting a submission to the Committee on Transport and Infrastructure regarding their current enquiry into the utilisation of rail corridors.

Due to the broad scope of the request Council has consulted a number of officers from across the organisation to develop a response for your consideration.

Though Council generally supports the proposal to better utilise NSW government owned land within rail corridors passing through the Fairfield LGA the following issues/concerns are recommended for detailed consideration with Council as specific sites are nominated. The issues/concerns are:

- All RailCorp land first be considered for transport interchange or commuter car parking service prior to any other commercial consideration.
- Development proposals that cross over rail corridors or are adjacent to other privately owned property be consistent with relevant Council LEP/DCP controls and strategies to ensure integration with the applicable strategic land use 'neighbourhood' framework.
- A proportion of any income generated by 'new' land utilisation activities be reinvested in the Fairfield LGA.
- Ensure that any business activity undertaken within the rail corridor easement pay rates to Council.
- Increases in commercial space within the rail corridor easement could generate a competitive impact on nearby commercial zones and local business activities.
- Inserting land uses into rail corridors adjacent to roads and open space corridors will require consideration of traffic and environmental impacts on local road and open space systems and communities

If you have any queries or require any further details regarding our submission please contact Tony Walker, Manager Place Strategy on 0409 121 187.

Yours sincerely



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