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## **THE TRANSPORT NEEDS OF SYDNEY'S NORTH-WEST SECTOR**

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1. The completion of the Chatswood to Parramatta rail link and upgrade of Carlingford station is an urgent priority for the residents of Carlingford. Located at the geographical heart of metropolitan Sydney, Carlingford is being treated like a distant suburb by Policy Advisers, Transport Planners and Politicians alike.

2. A most extravagant waste of public funds is noted with the T Link from Parramatta. The frequency of services run on this link does not justify its construction and with congestion on adjacent roads as it is, this exclusive use facility for the benefit of mostly private bus companies should be turned over for the benefit of all road users.

3. The portion of Cumberland Highway passing through Carlingford and the multiple schools adjacent to this route (Carlingford High, Cumberland High, Kings School, Tara etc) would benefit from a total exclusion zone for heavy vehicles. It would make good sense for the transport planners to link the F3 and M2 and F3 and M7 within the next 2 years so as to be able to enforce this. The wasted funds spent on the T Link would have gone a long way to achieving linking the F3 and M2.

4. Finally having been able to see first hand how well developing Asian countries like China, Indonesia etc can provide efficient road systems and how they put connection of major arterial routes as a top priority in the development of their transport systems (able to be used by all vehicle classes including private motorists), I have a negative view as to the quality outcomes that are being achieved by political and State government operatives in providing viable transport improvements for the Carlingford area.