

**Submission  
No 160**

**INQUIRY INTO PLANNING PROCESS IN NEWCASTLE  
AND THE BROADER HUNTER REGION**

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Dear Planning Committee,

As a proud, civic minded Newcastle resident I ask that you keep the Newcastle Rail line into Newcastle station.

It is wasteful and a very narrow minded decision to sever the line at Wickham, substitute with busses and maybe install light rail in the future.

I suggest keeping the rail line and increase the number of rail crossings to ease traffic frustration.

With the money saved I suggest beautifying the rail corridor and funding the "Cycle Safe Network" strategy, benefitting all of the Hunter and tourists.

Thank you

Franceca Davy