

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

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The aim of the removal of the heavy rail line has been claimed to be to provide 'more crossings from the CBD to the foreshore' to improve access (front page revitalisingnewcastle.com.au).

Newcastle already has two level crossings - one at Stewart Avenue, the other at Merewether Street.

The simplest way to achieve this is NOT to remove the heavy rail but to remove the fences and increase the number of level crossings.

The current fencing and obstructions can be removed and level crossings for vehicles and/or pedestrians implemented south from Stewart Ave at:

- \* Bellevue Street
- \* Steel Street
- \* Worth Place
- \* Darby Street
- \* Crown Street
- \* Brown Street
- \* Perkins Street
- \* Wolfe Street
- \* Market Street
- \* Newcomen Street
- \* Bolton Street

The new law courts and university building will house thousands of people and are directly opposite Civic Station.

We should not remove this existing public transport facility which will undoubtedly be heavily used once these facilities are finished.

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The NSW Government is revitalising the Newcastle city centre. The revitalisation will reinforce the city's role as a 21st century regional centre, unlock the potential of the city centre as a place that can meet the needs of the current and future community, and boost economic activity across the Hunter Region.

The Newcastle Urban Renewal Strategy was released in 2012 and is focused on developing Newcastle's three main precincts - West End, Civic and East End - to form a dynamic and integrated city centre. The introduction of a light rail line, **more crossings from the CBD to the foreshore**, and the elegant integration of Newcastle's beautiful heritage history into a revitalised and modern cityscape will breathe new life into this vital regional hub.

The strategy will also see a reinvigorated Hunter Street Mall, along with new and improved public space. Designed to improve services and liveability for the community of Newcastle, and shaped by the input of the community through the Design Newcastle summit, the city's revitalisation will see it flourish and satisfy the needs of its citizens now and into the future.

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