

**Submission
No 232**

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

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I would like to voice my opposition to this plan on the main basis of accessibility and ease of use for the public.

This is especially problematic for our ageing population whose driving days are over but still want to be mobile. For them multiple moves over 3 types of transport may be overly daunting and result in lonely isolation. This could also be true of mothers with prams, youths with surfboards, the abled with plenty of shopping and the disabled.

Now that a uni campus is proposed the transport to the hub would surely be essential.

Newcastle has also recently been lauded as the festival hub –often using the inner city pubs,parks and meeting rooms. So how will this be accessed easily ?

As an Economics teacher could you please direct me to the Cost Benefit Analyses reports conducted which has led to these decisions.

Could you please categorically refute the often touted local grass roots concerns that corruption has played a part in the process and development payoffs for a chosen few are the prime movers against what appears to be a huge ground swell of public protest.

sincerely

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