

## **INQUIRY INTO WINDSOR BRIDGE REPLACEMENT PROJECT**

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The Windsor Bridge should be retained for local traffic and a bypass provided for through traffic and heavy vehicles.

The planned new bridge does nothing for flooding being under the 1 in 3 flood level. It doesn't help fix the daily traffic issues, doesn't allow for the promised 60 km/h speeds, doesn't help reduce the traffic queues (particularly the worst queues in the afternoon peak) and doesn't really improve the performance of the road network as a whole.

The project has enormous impacts on the colonial heritage of Thompson Square and affects the long term future of the tourism industry in the Hawkesbury which relies so much on the heritage assets of the town.

There is nothing good about this entire project. It's just a cheap and nasty version of what's already there and it does absolutely nothing for the whole area except make you want to leave.

Do it once and do it right. Build a bypass and leave Thompson Square alone.