

**INQUIRY INTO IMPACT OF THE CBD AND SOUTH EAST
LIGHT RAIL PROJECT**

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Thank you for the opportunity to make a Submission to the Inquiry.

In particular, I am concerned about the impact on local business and communities as a result of the project.

My specific concerns follow:

- The government has totally ignored community concern and anguish when the proposed destruction of huge and valuable trees was proposed. Often action was taken in secret or at hours when protesters were unlikely to be present.
- There is no financial compensation that can possibly replace the aesthetic value of large, beautiful, shady trees, nor the environmental value of oxygenating trees and their cooling of the environment, nor the loss of bird and other wildlife habitat, nor the historic value, especially of the ANZAC trees.
- The government's response was to ignore, belittle or imply “green foolishness”, or become even more secretive with residents who were all expressing valid concerns (see above) in a democratic society. Sydneysiders are disgusted with this governments total commitment to developer interests at any cost.
- Communication from the government involves just being told, full stop. With the delays of light rail projects, businesses all along the new route must be just about hitting the wall. Let us hope that there is a class action against the government.

Thank you for considering my Submission.

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