

**Submission  
No 53**

**INQUIRY INTO IMPACT OF THE WESTCONNEX  
PROJECT**

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The Director of Public Accountability Committee  
NSW Legislative Council  
Parliament House  
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Dear Sir or Madam

I would like the Parliamentary Inquiry into the Impacts of Westconnex to consider my concerns about the location of the Main Northern Sewer line, air pollution from ventilation stacks and the gross waste of money which could better achieve the proposed benefits in other ways.

I have checked the maps in the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the M4-M5 Link and have noted that two tunnels pass under my property at 12 Lamb St, Lilyfield. I have checked Appendix F of the EIS and can see no mention of the Main Northern Sewer which passes under my property. I have been told the Main Northern Sewer is very deep so the statement in the EIS that the tunnels will be deep enough to avoid most utilities does not allay my concerns. The stated option of moving utilities does not seem possible for such a major utility as the Main Northern Sewer line.

The government's reluctance to put filters on smoke stacks concerns me as I think it would be negligent not to do so. This area is already suffering from aircraft fumes and nearby unfiltered smoke stacks would tip the balance against what is acceptable for residents' health.

Finally, I believe the M4-M5 Link is a gross waste of public money that would be better spent on improving public transport. The State Government could easily reduce the congestion at Sydney Airport by removing the exorbitant train fares from Central to the airport. Currently, if there is more than one person travelling it is cheaper to take a taxi. In fact, reducing the train fare would probably end up providing the government with a financial benefit because of the resulting increased patronage of the train service.

Regards

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