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**INQUIRY INTO IMPACT OF THE WESTCONNEX  
PROJECT**

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To the Upper House Public Accountability Committee,

I moved to Haberfield in January 2018 with my partner. We didn't expect the WestConnex construction to have much of an impact on our lives, but it has. The construction noise is infuriating, I have terrible sinus, and the traffic is just horrendous. The noise, traffic and pollution impact us on an almost daily basis. We are woken up from the incredibly loud banging noises that emanate from the Wattle Street and Bland Street sites at 5am nearly every weekday morning - I've complained to WestConnex who deny the noise. Trucks roll past at all hours of the day and night (along Ramsey) and they rattle the windows, which tends to ruin the serenity of when hanging out in our leafy garden. Because of the road closures, and slower traffic flow due to the construction, drivers use Alt street as a short cut and drive well above the speed limit. This is both dangerous and frustrating. It makes it harder to cross the intersection of Alt and Ramsey when walking to the bus or train at the intersection of Alt and Ramsey! The increased traffic up Alt Street is noisy, especially early in the morning of a weekday. Since moving to Haberfield I have suffered from severe sinus pain caused by allergic rhinitis. The allergic rhinitis has worsened since living in close proximity to the construction sites and I need to use a sinus rinse daily and a stronger nasal spray. Please ensure that WestConnex complies with the restrictions placed upon them in terms of noise and air pollution, and please consider the impact that construction has on traffic on local roads.

Kind regards,