

**Submission
No 4**

**INQUIRY INTO ACQUISITION OF LAND IN RELATION TO
MAJOR TRANSPORT PROJECTS**

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As I finally sit to write this submission it serves to compound our problems and wonder if it will warrant more than a solitary paragraph in a 1 cm thick document! As it did when 600 submissions were submitted for LUIP.

The issues faced by the residents of Wainamatta South Creek Precinct (WSPC) and Aerotropolis precinct are many.

The greatest of which is 40% being rezoned ENVIRONMENTAL AND RECREATIONAL (E&R) rendering the land worthless and sterile while concurrently land locking the owners.

Landowners rights have been REMOVED.

Prior to rezoning in October 2020 the land was RU4 we could build pools, sheds, granny flats and second dwellings. Now nothing can be done.

This is in a DEMOCRATIC COUNTRY AUSTRALIA!!

One would expect this to occur in Communist countries like China and North Korean ! NOT under a conservative LNP government.

By placing these draconian zonings on our land the LNP Government has contravened the Universal Declaration of Human Rights Article 17(2) where it states:
NO ONE SHALL BE ARBITRARILY DEPRIVED OF HIS PROPERTY.

The injurious affection caused by the imposition of ENVIRONMENTAL AND RECREATIONAL zoning which impairs the landowners ability to use their land held under freehold title or leasehold title is a deprivation of property rights in breach of Article 17(2).

Further to this your ingenuous concern for aircraft safety is bismal.

There is ... LACK of a DETAILED register of bird/bat and wildlife migration information.

A 6 year study was recommended yet it cannot be found...instead we have a 3 day assessment carried out in 2018 and a 6 month assessment in 2020.. these being done on what we know but should be on WHAT WE DON'T KNOW?????

This should have been the first question answered!

The AVISURE report suggests that the precinct planning conflicts with the airport operations and its safety risk to aircrafts, being in close proximity to greenspace in a 24/7 airport.

The DPIE and Planning Partnership engaged AVISURE to do a Western Sydney Aerotropolis Draft Wildlife Management Assessment Report and informed AVISURE what visions were "NOT Negotiable " in enabling the vision for a Parkland City to be achieved!!!

SAFETY SHOULD ALWAYS BE PARAMOUNT ..it would seem that a LANDSCAPE LED APPROACH is NOT COMPATIBLE with the SAFE OPERATION of a 24/7 airport.

Another anomaly is the proposed local infrastructure is well beyond what is identified as required under the social infrastructure needs report. In Agribusiness precinct Social needs report calls for 3 local parks, 1 district parking 3 additional netball courts. Yet 3 regional sized parks are proposed!!!

Are we losing key developable land for infrastructure? Or is this a blatant land grab by government to later rezone and sell for enterprise purposes to vastly benefit government coffers? just like the Bunnings group on Bringelly Rd?

The absolute nepotism shown to the larger land owners including government owned land is reprehensible to say the least.... You will find MOST MAJOR infrastructure of any standing /importance on their land while mum and dad small landowners are burdened with carrying the valueless ENVIRONMENTAL AND RECREATIONAL zoning.....

Perich, Celestino, Medich and Ingham to name a few, have greatly benefited..... And let us not forget that Maguire wanted to be part it too by benefiting financially through brokering for Waterhouse. All while he was still a member of the LNP. The residents can smell corruption in the air.... whether it is there or not can only be determined by a ROYAL COMMISSION or at least an ICAC investigation into the Aerotropolis Delivery Strategy, Land rezoning and land acquisition in Metropolitan South West Sydney.

The E&R zoning states that all land in 1:100 flood is not developable..... this could not be further from the truth.... This land is very much developable when proper mitigation work is undertaken... this is another blatant land grab by the LNP which will later rezone the land and sell to the highest bidder ...swindling mum a dad landowners out of their proper remuneration... Still believe we are being treated FAIRLY????

I also question the sudden expansion on the floodlines....which government pressed the city deal councils to undertake....Could these have expanded because of the VAST housing estates being built upstream and NO PROPER retention of water on their sites. Could it be to the increased buildings of hard surfaces, eg.. roads ...that are NOT correctly mitigated eg ...Bringelly Rd Northern Rd..... Could it be the LACK of CARE for WSCP...ie... it not being properly maintained for over 40 years even though the resident tried both through councils and Water Board now Sydney Water? Yet again the small land owners are burdened with its reparation!

Your dismal lack of pastoral care in the area... eg OVERETT ST KEMPS CREEK! Where every resident is either Riparian or ENVIRONMENTAL AND RECREATIONAL. Yet no one has bothered to GO AND SPEAK TO THE RESIDENTS after many requests through CLG.

All this has greatly contributed to a DECLINE in mental health issues in our area... we have had attempted suicides, heart attacks, strokes , hypertension and anxiety issues in our residents . All a direct consequence of the LNP'S acquisition policies or lack thereof.

You want a Parkland City yet you REFUSE TO PURCHASE THE PARKLAND yet did not budget for one!! You landlock residents... they now are unable to sell their properties to go into care or downsize... some residents don't have 20 -30 years to wait.... they only have months or years at best. Your lack of empathy and concern for the mental health quagmire you have created is unconscionable!!

ALL PARKLANDS SHOULD BE RESUMED AT BEST USE PRICE

BUT you have rezoned it to worthless and want it for nothing...

Tanya Davies called it for what it is "LEGALISED THEFT " 9.3.2021 Luddenham residents rally.

Consultation and transparency have been a complete failure...

The lack of coherent planning and budgeting for land acquisition of green/environmental space throughout the area within a reasonable time frame is mind blowing. Government departments within the Aerotropolis umbrella do not communicate with each other. This has become obvious through the Planning Partnership Community Liaison Group (CLG).

When questions are raised most are unanswered because it is in another departments jurisdiction and when asked for these entities to come and speak most don't except for Fernando at Sydney Water who does his best in a very tenuous situation....He always fronts ...but others NEVER DO ... including the relevant minister and Planning officials from Brett Whitworth, Catherine Van Leren down.

I recall Catherine telling me to my face in 2018 that my land was not worthless I would at least get what I paid for it! Imagine how I felt...I bought in 1987 I could not buy anything with that remuneration now. I write this to HIGHLIGHT the contempt with which we are held by beaurocrats who run the planning department.

Brett Whitworth ran out on a meeting held in Bringelly Community Centre because the questions and residents were too heated... There are planners... who are heads of planning now.... that were sacked by a regional council for incompetence yet they now have a direct link to the minister for Planning in an advisory capacity for the Greater West....

The Beaurocracy at the planning department needs to have a broom put through it and it needs people who are willing to go to the areas they are looking to change...they need to engage with people in a real manner and NOT refer to their homes as a BLANK CANVAS!!

How can we, small landowners have any confidence in a system that wines and dines the wealthy land owners in parliament house whilst small mum and dad landowners are held in contempt by the least of their beaurocrats?

We have LOST ALL CONFIDENCE IN ALL 3 TEIRS IF GOVERNMENT.

Through the CLG we have repeatedly asked for a meeting with the minister....to date we have not been successful yet the opposition leader came to meet us with a week's notice. The CLG is ,in my opinion a farce...,a tick the box exercise to placate the residents it was formed to exchange information yet it only seems to be a one way street we the residents give ours and ask questions which are either answered with...I don't know...or...I'll take that on board only to get a dear John response a month later... The CLG ..through its representative is omitting to tell us what is really happening and we have to find by other means.

This is not how CONSULTATION AND TRANSPARENCY is supposed to work. There is no consultation only dictation of what will happen... Consultation is only with the Larger wealthy land owners... As stated by Minister Ayers ((estimates hearing 10.3.21) who attended functions with Celestino and may have met him casually ...it could have come up in conversation..he could not clearly recall..... Is it any wonder that most small landowners in the Aerotropolis Precinct have lost faith in our elected government.

When you consider that most government projects have a history of running over schedule and massively over budget as well as the corruption allegations brought up in ICAC INVESTIGATIONS is it any wonder that landowners have no CONFIDENCE IN ALL LEVELS OF GOVERNMENT.

I repeat...Australia is a FREE country...our land was brought FREEHOLD.... by restricting my use of my land government is CONTRAVENING UDHR Human Rights Article 17 (2)
Government has intentionally favoured larger land owners (possible party donors) at the expense of smaller landowners.
Government has caused a decline in Mental health and physical health in our area!
It has NOT budgeted for Parklands in a PARKLAND CITY.
It has NO TIMELINE land locking and sterilising our land!
It is NOT TRANSPARENT!

This is expected in COMMUNIST run countries not Australia.

I again call for a moratorium to be placed on the Aerotropolis Delivery Strategy...

I further call for a ROYAL COMMISSION into this strategy or at least an ICAC INQUIRY into the perceived corruption from residents viewpoint.