

**Submission
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**INQUIRY INTO IMPACT OF THE WESTERN HARBOUR
TUNNEL AND BEACHES LINK**

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A resident of North Sydney for the last 15 years and having seen NS Council's strong will to improve amenities for pedestrians and cyclists, the proposed access route for the WHT BL disturbs me. It will bisect a busy area that should properly be developed to be more pedestrian-friendly.

There may be options to take the access route underground - a better use for tunnel-boring teams and equipment than creating an unwanted and costly Northern Beaches tunnel.

Over-development in North Sydney has created an urban landscape of inter-building canyons generating high winds and almost day-long shadows, certainly in winter.

We urge State planners to consider assisting NS Council's attempts to rectify and improve the area for the people who live and work here and not to make the situation worse.