

## Sheppards Bay Development

Mr Commissioner's

I come here today to speak in favour of this development.

I declare I do not belong to any political party.

I see this is in line with the state governments policy of people living and working near transport modes.

I have friends who drive from Penrith and St Marys to work at Macquarie and the city.

Imagine how much time that would save them every day in travel, if they could live here at Ryde. That means more time with their family and friends.

You have busses from Church Street to Top Ryde and Macquarie shopping centre across the road busses to Concord Hospital, Strathfield and Burwood. You are 10 minutes from the River cat service, to Sydney City and Parramatta. 15 minutes to Meadowbank station. Being a mum, these issues are very important to where you want to live.

You have a great state school Meadowbank, near by, and an Italian school near Bowden Street.

On the weekends you could take a leisurely walk around the parks or take the children to play sport at Meadowbank park , cricket, soccer and or netball. You do not have to drive you can walk or cycle on the shared cycle/footpath to the grounds.

Living in Putney my family and I frequent the areas around site. We regularly walk our dog and ride our bikes around the foreshores and I believe the public Domain improvements will provide a safer and more convenient access to the gorgeous foreshores and along with cafes and a public plaza this becomes an appealing area to meet up with friends.

I read in the paper remedying a decades-old flooding problem for the area with a multi million upgrade to the storm water system and feel it is a much welcome proposal and can be seen only as a positive for me.

I also read in the paper that this is an award winning design. That tells me that it has been scrutinized by some of the best, in the building industry, who would have been overseen by the state government for their credibility.

As a local, as a regular community member that frequents this area, it was exciting to see the project in the Weekly Times, and I wish to express myself in favour of a development that I feel can only benefit our area.

Thankyou

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