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I have been passionate about the development of Barangaroo since attending the first meetings in the Customs House. But unfortunately most of the planning process has permitted little or no community consultation...the people have been ignored or silenced by our previous and present State Governments. We all want the best for Barangaroo...but many believe focus has been drastically changed... (The community did achieve awareness of the need for proper remediation of the site and this was carried out. This was a proper achievement for future residents/workers/enjoyers of this exceptional area.)

1: The Casino was not in the original plans; there was no tender process and no public consultation. The Crown complex morphed into a huge project that included a luxury Hotel (a comparatively small part), a VIP Casino and ultra expensive apartments (added later to 'off-set' the cost of the Hotel/Casino). Still morphing.

Now we have MOD 8 that proposes a massive blowout of the Crown project....'feebly justified' by the removal of the Hotel from the over-the-water-location. This argument of entitlement is unacceptable. Crown has asked for a huge increase in floor space, a vast increase in height for three mega towers of \$millions++ apartments, and hundreds more car spaces. This greatly diminishes the Public domain, dominates our iconic Harbourscape, and critically compromises the integrity and amenity of Sydney. Buildings can stand for 100+++ years so we must get this right! This grossly bulked-up proposal must be scaled down.

2: After we were told of the Crown plan the Murray Committee was appointed by our former Premier to examine the benefits to the people of NSW...later the Committee report was found to be possibly flawed. Instead of revenue coming into the NSW coffers reputable financial sources said the taxpayers could have losses of many millions of dollars. Was this fully studied/investigated? Were we told? Profit for the few?

3: In the early meetings Lend Lease promised affordable housing for 'nurses, teachers, workers etc'....Only 2.3% of housing is planned as 'affordable'....that translates to 2.3 residences per 100...hardly a token...and on Public land!

I am still confident there can be refocus on project and purpose and proportion that will ensure integrity, amenity, affordable housing, open public domain, and an outstanding precinct for all people that reflects the unique excellence of our great City.

I am a resident, taxpayer and lover of Sydney.
 Cecile Hunt
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