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TO:

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Signed:

Tony Arnold

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Address:

UNIT 6/146 ALICE STREET
NEWTOWN, NSW 2042

- Does Marrickville need a huge Amercian style mega shopping complex? NO
- Do we want rows of empty shops in our local shopping villages? NO
- Can local roads, parking and residents cope with the huge number of cars and trucks that an expanded Marrickville Metro will attract? NEVER
- Should residents be encouraged to drive their cars to the Metro rather than walking to their local shopping villages? NOT AT ALL

Why your local elected council will not decide this proposal:

AMP Capital has decided to bypass the locally elected Councillors by applying straight to the state government. They can do this because the NSW Labor government introduced a controversial pro-developer law called 'Part 3A'. Under this law the Minister for Planning makes the decision instead of the local council. The community is effectively bypassed by this process and appeals of a decision are severely restricted.

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Phil Pick

From: Arnold, Anthony (GE Capital) [tarnold@customfleet.com.au]
Sent: Thursday, 19 August 2010 4:32 PM
To: Planning
Subject: Marrickville Metro and AMP !!

Attachments: img-8191612-0001.pdf



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pdf (76 KB)

Dear Minister Kelly,

Please be advised that community anger is growing about this proposed development should it be approved by your Dept. After bypassing Marrickville Council due to its 3A status if its allowed to progress against the wishes of the majority of local residents such as myself and my family, watch out at the next State Elections in March 2011 because there will be a huge community backlash as we will not forget.

Regards

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To: Planning
Subject: Re: MP_0191 - 34 Victoria Road, 13-55 Edinburgh Road and part of Smidmore Street, Marrickville (Metro redevelopment project)
Attachments: Tony Kelly _MarrickvilleMetro.doc

Please find a letter to the Hon. Tony Kelly regarding the above attached.

Regards
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20/08/2010

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The reality of this corner of the inner west is that we have vibrant streets in Enmore and King Streets and Marrickville Road. There are rarely any empty shops and people come from far and wide to shop in this unique area. In essence these streets are our "mall" and no major shopping centre is required. I won't lie, it is handy to have Woolworths and K-Mart across the road and I shop there and enjoy a relationship with many of the staff who work there. I do believe Marrickville Metro could do with revitalization (as AMP calls it) but that would be making the shopping centre more vibrant, modern and community friendly. If I really wanted a big mall (which isn't often) I don't have far to go for Broadway, Westfield Burwood or the city. I feel this is just a case of AMP making a grab for profits regardless of the concerns of their neighbours. I would like to know how many of the power brokers live in Marrickville or the inner west.

One of the key details that should impact on your decision is the fact that our own Mayor and Council do not agree with the redevelopment. Mr. Iskandar even attended a recent protest to voice his concerns with the rest of the community. Marrickville Chamber of Commerce have ordered 100 banners to be displayed along the shop fronts along Marrickville and Illawarra Roads. Marrickville Council will also be flying banners from each of its town halls in Newtown, Marrickville and Petersham, proclaiming the council's opposition to the Metro development. If

our own council disagrees with this redevelopment why does AMP insist on continuing it in its current form?

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We also have grave concerns about the increase in air pollution and litter this new redevelopment will bring. Living across from where the cars will drive up to each new level of the redevelopment absolutely concerns me. I have a 2 year old child and fear he will be living in an even greater polluted area than he currently does.

Living on the same street as the Marrickville Metro and in a cul-de-sac can be quite frustrating, especially on the weekends. People currently park over our driveway partially or completely, leave their litter behind, keep their cars running while they do their little shops, double park, beep their horns and generally show little respect for the people living across the road. How much will this increase after the redevelopment?

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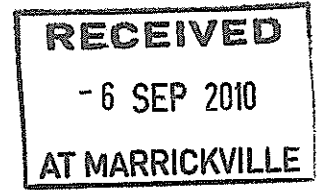
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Thank you for considering our letter.

Jo & Paul Flanagan (and 2 year old Liam)

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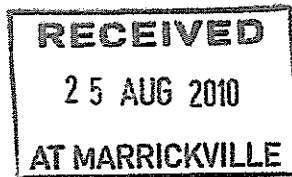
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As a resident of Marrickville;

I recently discovered plans by the company AMP to expand the Marrickville Metro shopping centre to twice its current size- making approximately 44,000 square metres. According to their plans, they wish the mall to obtain town centre status, with an extension of opening hours, the addition of restaurants and entertainment, and the addition of clothing outlets etc, etc. I have several objections I would like to raise to this, as a resident of the proposed development site.

1) According to the submitted Environmental Assessment Report, section 7.4:

"The proposed development is considered to result in an increase in traffic generation... of 56.8%...". I find this completely unacceptable; an increase in traffic around this area will result in total gridlock. There are no plans to improve infrastructure to meet this dramatic increase, and no solutions have been proffered.

2) According to the submitted Environmental Assessment Report – section 5.7.2: a "do nothing" scenario on the Metro site will mean that **"The community's retail needs will not be met."** I find this assertion simply absurd. King St, Enmore Rd, Marrickville rd, Illawarra rd, Broadway Shopping Centre and the city CBD are all within 5-15 Minutes of the proposed site. All of these strips offer the widest choices available to consumers in our society, from boutique clothing stores to hardware, from butchers to tarot reading. I cannot see what consumer choice oriented justification could possibly exist for this expansion, and I can only conclude that the decision to expand is driven by profit rather than some genuine consideration for locally based community need. I propose instead that the mall will service residents from further outside the area; impacting on the local community without any benefit.

3) The Economic Impact Assessment funded by AMP stipulates that the impact of the proposed development on small businesses on Marrickville road would be insignificant, at around 5%. As someone who conducts research and is familiar with the flexible construction of this type of data, I find this minimal figure difficult to believe. Local businesses were devastated with the first development of the Metro, and will be again with this expansion.

4) The plans emphasise the community significance of the development. I would ask AMP to explain how a privately run business can operate a community site in consultation with the local community when they will not be held to account through democratic process.

5) There are no significant attempts to incorporate principals of sustainability within the design of the building. A grey water tank and a few solar panels do not cut the mustard.

According to the Draft Centres Policy, 2009;

1. Retail and commercial activity should be located in centres to ensure the most efficient use of transport and other infrastructure, proximity to labour markets, and to improve the amenity and liveability of those centres.

As a long term resident of the area, I cannot see how the expansion of a shopping mall with all of the congestion and issues that this will bring will improve the amenity and liveability of the centre.

2. The planning system should support a wide range of retail and commercial premises in all centres and should contribute to ensuring a competitive retail and commercial market.

I fail to see how the introduction of a shopping mall with all of the market dominating chain stores and large scale grocery giants (such as Coles and Woolworths, which dominate 80% of the grocery market) that it will bring will benefit competition. The damage to small business will further harm competition in the area.

6. Retail and commercial development should be well designed to ensure they contribute to the amenity, accessibility, urban context and sustainability of centres.

The proposal does not adequately address any of these points within its environmental or economic report. There is no reference to the unique urban context of Marrickville, and no recognition of the fact that a significant part of what makes Marrickville unique is its shopping strips already in existence; shopping strips that will be harmed, not improved, with this development.

As a resident of NSW

I am alarmed by the lack of community consultation in this development application process. Planning has been going on for at least the last year, and the first time I even heard of the development was when I was alerted by a community group.

AMP claim to have engaged in community consultation. I live on the street location of the development, and I was never consulted. This puzzled me at first. I have since discovered from other residents, that consultation activities such as door knocking were conducted during working hours, when few people were at home, or conducted outside the immediate area; in Petersham and Lewisham. These areas would not be adversely affected. The consultation process appears to have gone askew. Considering that the consultation process was funded by the investor; why am I not surprised?

This point illustrates my wider concern about NSW politics in General; with the introduction of legislation such as the Environmental Planning and Assessment Amendment Bill 2008 that lessen the influence of local residents on the planning process, and the prevalence of development cases (such as the new Iron Cove Bridge) that bypass local council approval. I am deeply troubled by this situation. No-one is better positioned to understand the needs of communities than their local community representatives and their councils. I deplore this disregard for the right of people to ownership of development within their own communities. The unequal relationship between developers of massive projects (who can fund 'independent' economic analysis to send to the State government) and local residents (who cannot) further exacerbates this lack of community control.

If you were to ask the residents of Marrickville what they wanted for their community, you might get a variety of answers; assistance for small business, improvements to cycleways and public transport, more community spaces, more affordable housing and greater emphasis on sustainability would certainly feature. I doubt very much that a massive shopping centre development would be the

foremost of their desires. I am a local community member, and it is certainly the opposite of what I would like to see.

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As a concerned inhabitant of the planet Earth

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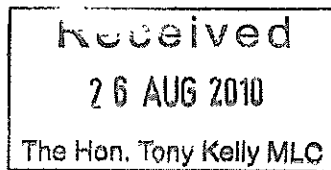
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Dear Mr Kelly

I am writing to you regarding the proposed development of the Marrickville Metro shopping centre, Major Project MP09_0191 – 34 Victoria Road, 13-55 Edinburgh Road and part of Smidmore Street, Marrickville. As Minister for Planning, I am sure that you are committed to the welfare of communities subject to development planning. I wish to express concerns about this development from three different perspectives; as a concerned resident of Marrickville, as a concerned citizen of NSW, and a concerned inhabitant of the planet Earth. I will address you from all three perspectives;

As a resident of Marrickville;

I recently discovered plans by the company AMP to expand the Marrickville Metro shopping centre to twice its current size- making approximately 44,000 square metres. According to their plans, they wish the mall to obtain town centre status, with an extension of opening hours, the addition of restaurants and entertainment, and the addition of clothing outlets etc, etc. I have several objections I would like to raise to this, as a resident of the proposed development site.

1) According to the submitted Environmental Assessment Report, section 7.4:

"The proposed development is considered to result in an increase in traffic generation... of 56.8%...". I find this completely unacceptable; an increase in traffic around this area will result in total gridlock. There are no plans to improve infrastructure to meet this dramatic increase, and no solutions have been proffered.

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3) The Economic Impact Assessment funded by AMP stipulates that the impact of the proposed development on small businesses on Marrickville road would be insignificant, at around 5%. As someone who conducts research and is familiar with the flexible construction of this type of data, I find this minimal figure difficult to believe. Local businesses were devastated with the first development of the Metro, and will be again with this expansion.

4) The plans emphasise the community significance of the development. I would ask AMP to explain how a privately run business can operate a community site in consultation with the local community when they will not be held to account through democratic process.

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Signed:

Name: Garry Hauner

Address: 113 Victoria Street Lewisham 2049

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Phil Pick

From: Garry Launer [garrylauner@optusnet.com.au]
Sent: Thursday, 26 August 2010 8:46 PM
To: Planning
Subject: Objection to Marrikville Metro Part 3A Expansion
Attachments: Letter+to+Tony_Kelly[1].doc

Please find attached my objection to the Metro expansion at Marrickville

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Re: MP_0191

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Date:

Address:

Phil Pick

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Sent: Monday, 30 August 2010 7:31 PM
To: Planning
Subject: Marrickville Metro expansion

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ElectorateOffice Marrickville - Marrickville Metro expansion

From: Robert Pinkevitch <rpinko@yahoo.com.au>
To: <marrickville@parliament.nsw.gov.au>
Date: 30/08/2010 7:29 PM
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Mike Fleming

From: Sharon Armstrong
Sent: Thursday, 26 August 2010 3:17 PM
To: Fiona Bye; Mike Fleming
Subject: FW: RE: Opposition to an expanded Metro

From: Dimitrios Thanos [mailto:dthanos@bigpond.net.au]
Sent: Wednesday, 25 August 2010 5:17 PM
To: 'charmaine enright'; 'Clr Cathy Peters'; 'Clr Emanuel Tsardoulis'; 'Clr Fiona Byrne'; 'Clr Laura Wright'; 'Clr Marika Kontellis'; 'Clr Mary O'Sullivan'; 'Clr Max Phillips'; 'Clr Morris Hanna'; 'Clr Peter Olive'; 'Clr Sam Iskandar'; 'Clr Victor Macri'; 'Hon Tanya Plibersek MP'; 'Marrickville greens'; 'Marrickville metro'; 'The Hon Anthony Albanese MP'; 'The Hon. Kristina Keneally M.P'; Sharon Armstrong
Subject: RE: RE: Opposition to an expanded Metro

Charmaine,

Thanks yet again for your e mail.

As I have said repeatedly now I do not share your views on the issue.

You have however made certain allegations of corruption that I suggest you lodge with the ICAC if you seriously believe this to be the case.

In terms of council deciding to make an allocation of funds for the campaign to prevent the expansion and your assertion that its just 32 residents who oppose it. I assert that you are once again wrong. It is well above 32 residents who oppose the proposal, as well as all small business operators in our LGA.

The residents around the Metro are the most affected residents. Even if it were 1 resident objecting and those objections are legitimate then those concerns are legitimate. To date only 1 person (you) has contacted me in Favor of the further development of the Metro site, I have at least 50 resident submissions opposing it. None of those residents have expressed concern about Metro in terms of the swimming pool. They all object to increasing the amount of traffic in their streets (and other problems).

In terms of referring to lifestyle choices – I was talking specifically about your submission for convenient shopping outweighing the permanent effect the development will have on residents living around the development.

You can check whether I was at the meeting or not by calling the council, so its not a moot point. The newspapers get it wrong all the time.

Council is entitled to commission reports and it has done so via allowing the mainstreet committee to give \$3000 to the Chamber of commerce. The funding for the mainstreet committee is 50% Commercially zoned properties and 50% council funds. The purpose of the Mainstreet committee is to support the small shopping strips. The report being commissioned to assess the impact of the Metro on small businesses. The aims of the Chamber and of the mainstreet committee on this issue are identical – it doesn't matter whether the mainstreet committee or the Chamber carry out the report from a representational point of view.

The Metro expansion is not permissible when considering the planning laws that exist, why should AMP be exempted from the planning laws. No other person, company, corporation or business can get a rezoning on those lands – why should they be allowed to? Are they special? There are commercially zoned areas, commerce belongs in those zones. Metro is bigger than it should be, there is inadequate infrastructure in terms of roads to that area, expanding it will make things worse. When talking about being Fair minded and giving all of us a fair go I am very clearly referring to the fact that Metro and AMP are being given a massive financial advantage by not being expected to comply with the rules that exist for everyone else.

Finally spare me your indignation, you wrote to me making an allegation that I was behaving in a corrupt manner (amongst others), yes I find such assertions ridiculous and quite offensive.

In summary I do not agree with your views that shopping convenience of some comes before:

- the well being of residents who live around metro
- The shopkeepers and shop owners of the Marrickville LGA
- The right that we are all afforded the same advantages in life
- That for shopping convenience we create a new classification of land use that apply for everyone except the massive corporations of Westfields and AMP

I have no problems with strip shopping and yes I do support small business over massive franchises. As such I see no problem with council providing financial assistance to cash starved shopping strips, Metro has clearly got enough cash to influence government policy on this issue – I have no problems denying them a further \$3000.

Thank you yet again for your e mail, I have made a commitment that I will attempt to reply to all e mail and messages that I receive, I think however I have spend enough time on this strain of e mail, please excuse me if I no longer reply.

Yours faithfully
Dimitrios Thanos

From: charmaine enright [mailto:charenright@yahoo.com.au]

Sent: Wednesday, 25 August 2010 4:38 PM

To: 'Clr Cathy Peters'; 'Clr Emanuel Tsardoulis'; 'Clr Fiona Byrne'; 'Clr Laura Wright'; 'Clr Marika Kontellis'; 'Clr Mary O'Sullivan'; 'Clr Max Phillips'; 'Clr Morris Hanna'; 'Clr Peter Olive'; 'Clr Sam Iskandar'; 'Clr Victor Macri'; 'Hon Tanya Plibersek MP'; 'Marrickville greens'; 'Marrickville metro'; 'The Hon Anthony Albanese MP'; 'The Hon. Kristina Keneally M.P'; 'The Hon. Tony Kelly ALGA MLC'; Dimitrios Thanos

Subject: RE: RE: Opposition to an expanded Metro

Dear Dimitrios,

Well once again thankyou for your prompt reply. But as you seem intent on not addressing any of the issues I have raised I will address some of yours.

Firstly and for your information I did not vote for or against the allocation of funds as I was overseas tending to some family matters.

I do however find the assertions that you make silly in the least. I do suggest that you check your "facts" before alleging "corruption".

Well actually Dimitrios, I got my "facts" about council votes from the Inner west Courier, who reported that "Marrickville councillors voted unanimously to give the Marrickville Chamber of Commerce the grant" and "The Metro Watch Group also received \$3000 in council funds to continue campaigning".

So you were not part of this unanimous vote? Well seeing as how you are the only councillor to reply to me, and that you have done so quite vehemently only serves to show that your point is moot. Obviously you support it wholeheartedly.

As for my allegation, the definition of corrupt is

Guilty of dishonest practices, as bribery; lacking integrity; crooked.

Councillor Hanna is the president of the Marrickville Chamber of Commerce. Am I really the only one to think that voting for a cash grant to this organisation is a conflict of interest? Was there not one single councillor who thought that this may be lacking in integrity? Why is this not regarded as a dishonest practice?

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The largest section hey? Well I was at the Metro when the residents had their protest meeting the other week. There were 32 of them.

I find it quite telling that the residents needs were not the first item you want to lecture me on. First it was the unfair zoning laws that the State Govt has so unfairly imposed upon you, then it was what you stood for in the last election, then it was umbrage that I used the word "corrupt", then it was the residents. Well Dimitrios, I am actually fully aware of how the residents feel about this issue, I talk to them all the time about it, and in fact spoke to two women today. I am their postie after all. Mainly what I hear from these residents is

1. Concern that council will put parking meters in, particularly in Bourne st
2. Scared that a new construction will end up looking like the ugly new pool structure and that it will take longer to build
3. Worried about their house prices.

While I sympathise with these residents, I fail to see why council has decided that the concerns of 32 residents outweigh the needs of thousands of people who access the metro everyday.

So whilst you are concerned about whether or not you will drive to a shopping monstrosity for convenient and easy shopping expeditions, your lifestyle choices will no doubt have a severe impact on those living around such a massive monument to greed and idiotic development.

I beg your pardon? Convenient and easy shopping expeditions? My lifestyle choices? Well now, while it is refreshing to find a politician (of sorts) who doesn't beat around the bush, I suggest that you know absolutely nothing about my lifestyle choices. I certainly do not consider having to do the weekly shopping an "expedition". Wow, if only. I, like most other working people with families find it a stressful time consuming chore, the inadequate facilities at Metro only serve to make it more so, but still a better alternative than the Marrickville shopping strip.

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Well if you are so fair minded, can the group that I am starting have \$3000 to campaign for the shopping centre please? No? Silly me.

Dimitrios, while I accept your view and the councils view, that you do not think the Metro expansion is good for our community, I and the thousands of people who shop there disagree. Our community is growing at a very fast rate, there are high to medium density residential developments going up all over Marrickville, and this has been going on for a long time. I know that council recently spent millions on improving the square where the post office is on Marrickville road, But this is simply not enough to meet the needs of the community. Rather than wanting to be selfish consumers who have no regard for residents, most people really just want to do their grocery shopping. We need an expanded Metro to cope with the growth that has been forced on our community. While I am absolutely no supporter of big business, the Metro is already there, sitting in an ugly rundown area that is hardly housing any industry at all. What other alternative, rather than just opposing it are you offering to residents?

regards
Charmaine Enright-Milne

--- On Tue, 24/8/10, Dimitrios Thanos <dthanos@bigpond.net.au> wrote:

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Received: Tuesday, 24 August, 2010, 7:40 PM

Charmaine,

What bottom dollar are you referring to? Are you seriously suggesting that Councillors are lining their pockets?

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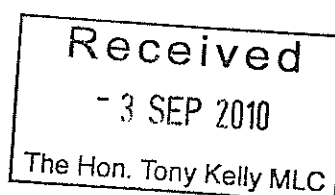
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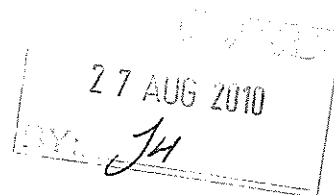
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Independent

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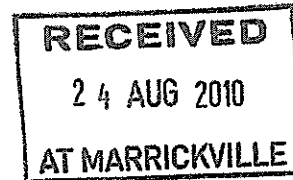
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The Hon Carmel Tebbutt
244 Illawarra Road
MARRICKVILLE NSW 2204

Dear Ms Tebbutt,

Re Proposed Over-development of Marrickville Metro

The concept of extra facilities ay Marrickville Metro may seem appealing BUT at what cost. The cost to the local community seems BIG:

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 - Further hinder the already heavy traffic in Edgeware Road, Alice Street, Enmore Road and King Street
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4. The turning traffic from Edgeware Raod into Victoria Street is already bad and at times dangerous.

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How can the state government conceivably allow this development to proceed when it cannot provide sufficient infrastructure for good traffic flow, at the present, on Edgeware Road not to mention all the other roads in Sydney.

In the fourteen years we have lived in Edgeware Road we have seen the traffic increase amazingly. We do not want to add exponentially to the incremental growth which has to be accepted.

It would seem that this is the careless action of a state government ready to have its revenue at the expense of the little people. It is certainly the careless and greedy action of a corporation which cannot even manage its funds to the benefit of its shareholders. Are we expected to swallow a proposal which will disadvantage those of us who live in the immediate environs.

We oppose this over-development! If the state Planning department allows this to proceed then the NSW Labour Party can expect an even bigger backlash at the next election.

William and Lesley Boon
76 Edgeware Road Enmore (Owner occupiers)

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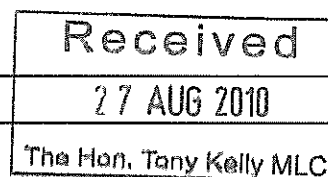
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Andrew Beattie - Online Submission from Rebecca Lindsay (object)

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Date: 29/08/2010 7:35 PM
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CC: <assessments@planning.nsw.gov.au>

As a local resident, I am concerned about this development proposal and the ways in which it will negatively affect a close-knit local community.

AMP's traffic study has identified that traffic will increase by a minimum of 50%. At peak times projected traffic increase is more. The report says that the surrounding roads are currently already at maximum capacity. Currently peak traffic brings surrounding streets to gridlock. The projected increase in traffic will seriously affect many streets in Newtown, Enmore, St Peters and Sydenham in addition to the streets around the Metro shopping centre.

Expanding Marrickville Metro shopping centre by an additional 35,505 square metres means:

- * More than doubling current retail space and more than doubling the current building height
- * 4 million extra shoppers each year
- * More cars and trucks clogging local roads
- * More noise and air pollution
- * Devastation of our local shopping villages and businesses
- * Parking problems for local residents
- * Privatised community space

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Submission for Job: #3734 MP09_0191 - Marrickville Metro

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Kristie O'Rourke

From: William & Lesley Boon [spiredaw@optusnet.com.au]

Posted At: Wednesday, 25 August 2010 12:07 PM

Posted To: BG_Office_Email

25 AUG 2010

Dear Mrs Keneally

We are very concerned about many issues. One of them is the proposed Expansion of Marrickville Metro.

In summary:

- There is insufficient infrastructure to service this development
- The local people will be disadvantaged and it is possible our Real Estate value will decline as well
- We do not need this development when Mirvac have a perfectly good development at Broadway which is a much better location.
- There seems to have been very little Planning in This development except for pretty pictures and all the things AMP would like to exhibit to make it attractive to the naive.

I attach the letter my wife and I have sent to Minister Kelly. I hope you are able to read it. There are lots of pertinent issues for this government to consider.

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Governor Macquarie Tower
1 Farrer Place
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While the opportunity for consultation is being provided, the people who are consultants to the process seem to be inept and poorly prepared.

There are too many phrases such as :

1. It is anticipated
2. We think
3. It is thought
4. It is projected.

Surely a corporation as such as AMP should have done its homework sufficiently to ensure that:

- Adequate surveys have been done and the substantive results (names and addresses of respondents available)
- Consultants can respond authoritatively with using the above phrases
- The residents immediately affected have been made aware of the implications of the expansion.

Surely you as Minister would not allow such a development to proceed without AMP providing adequate and honest information..

Before giving your approval to such a development you surely would require AMP to put in place appropriate transport infrastructure which would include:

1. widening Edgeware Road (Can't be done", your government has already seen to that)
2. widening Alice street (can't be done)

3. widening the entry into Murray Street to allow traffic to turn into and out of that road and placing lights to enable it to happen (what a fiasco that would be with the lights already on Alice Street)
4. Widening Victoria Street, and Murray Streets. What a cost! Edinburgh Street

We live at 76 Edgeware Road Enmore and have been not advised at all about what the EXACT implications of this expansion are. The information available at Marrickville Metro focuses on the four or five street immediately fronting Marrickville Metro. Have you not though that there is a bigger picture and people as far as Cross St, Sarah Street, Edgeware Lane, Edgeware Road WILL be affected adversely.

Have you ever driven along Victoria Street Burwood on a Saturday? It is horrendous! The people fronting that street must absolutely hate Westfields and Burwood Council for allowing such a travesty to occur and you are considering replicating something similar.

Have you ever driven up Edgeware Road during Peak hour AND on Saturday? It is a "car Park". We can walk faster than the vehicular traffic and you propose to increase the traffic and have AMP's "consultants" justify it with the top four phrases.

This project WILL NOT WORK except for AMP's coffers. The impact on the people who live here will be too great.

It is our understanding that The Planning department is about planning and ensuring that development is not only appropriate BUT will work.

We thought that the state Government and Local Council was about providing facilities to ensure that we have an efficient state which SERVES the people. Your government has ensured that local councils cannot protect its locale and its constituents BUT you seem unable to protect the needs and interests of your constituents. BUT you are very willing to bow to big business.

Come on give us a break! If you want our vote at the next election show that you deserve it.

At this point we are disgusted with what Labour has and has not done over the last 15 years. You have:

1. collected huge amounts of money through Stamp Duty and have wasted it
2. Had an Olympic Games and squandered the flow on from it
3. Allowed the once proud and leading state of NSW to slip to a position of which most of New South Welshmen are ashamed
4. Not planned adequately for infrastructure
5. Not ensured that big manufacturing and contributing companies have been attracted to remain in NSW or to come here
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And the list could go on

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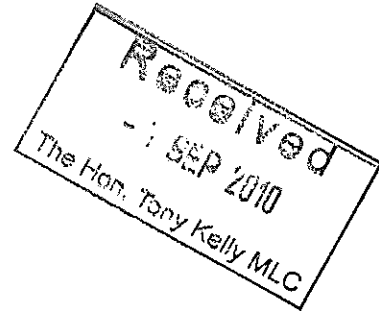
William Boon

and Lesley Boon



The Hon John Robertson MLC
Minister for Transport
Minister for the Central Coast

Mr William and Mrs Lesley Boon
PO Box 818
Newtown NSW 2042



27 August 2010

Dear Mr and Mrs Boon,

The Hon. John Robertson MLC, Minister for Transport and the Minister for the Central Coast, has requested that I acknowledge receipt of your correspondence.

As this matter falls within the administration of the Minister for Planning, I have forwarded your letter to the Hon Tony Kelly MLC for reply direct to you.

Yours Sincerely

Cara Varian
Chief of Staff

ML10/07603

Jessica Hook

From: William & Lesley Boon [spiredaw@optusnet.com.au]

Posted At: Wednesday, 25 August 2010 12:07 PM

Posted To: RB_Office_Email

Dear Mrs Keneally

We are very concerned about many issues. One of them is the proposed Expansion of Marrickville Metro.

In summary:

- There is insufficient infrastructure to service this development
- The local people will be disadvantaged and it is possible our Real Estate value will decline as well
- We do not need this development when Mirvac have a perfectly good development at Broadway which is a much better location.
- There seems to have been very little Planning in This development except for pretty pictures and all the things AMP would like to exhibit to make it attractive to the naive.

I attach the letter my wife and I have sent to Minister Kelly. I hope you are able to read it. There are lots of pertinent issues for this government to consider.

Sinmcerely

William A Boon

25/08/2010

WA and LA Boon
PO Box 818
NEWTOWN NSW 2042

25th August 25, 2010

The Minister
Planning
The Hon Tony Kelly
L 34
Governor Macquarie Tower
1 Farrer Place
Sydney NSW 2000

RE Proposed Expansion of Marrickville Metro.

We are concerned about the proposed development at Marrickville Metro. In fact after attending AMP's presentation we are OPPOSED to this redevelopment..

While the opportunity for consultation is being provided, the people who are consultants to the process seem to be inept and poorly prepared.

There are too many phrases such as :

1. It is anticipated
2. We think
3. It is thought
4. It is projected.

Surely a corporation as such as AMP should have done its homework sufficiently to ensure that:

- Adequate surveys have been done and the substantive results (names and addresses of respondents available)
- Consultants can respond authoritatively with using the above phrases
- The residents immediately affected have been made aware of the implications of the expansion.

Surely you as Minister would not allow such a development to proceed without AMP providing adequate and honest information..

Before giving your approval to such a development you surely would require AMP to put in place appropriate transport infrastructure which would include:

1. widening Edgeware Road (Can't be done", your government has already seen to that)
2. widening Alice street (can't be done)

3. widening the entry into Murray Street to allow traffic to turn into and out of that road and placing lights to enable it to happen (what a fiasco that would be with the lights already on Alice Street
4. Widening Victoria Street, and Murray Streets. What a cost! Edinbrugh Street

We live at 76 Edgeware Road Enmore and have been not advised at all about what the EXACT implications of this expansion are. The information available at Marrickville Metro focuses on the four or five street immediately fronting Marrickville Metro. Have you noe though that there is bigger picture and people as far as Cross St, Sarah Street, Edgeware Lane, Edheware Road WILL be affected adversely.

Have you ever driven along Victoria Street Burwood on a Saturday? It is horrendous! The people fronting that street must absolutely hate Westfields and Burwood Council for allowing such a travesty to occur and you are considering replicating something similar.

Have you ever driven up Edgeware Ropad during Peak hour AND on Saturday? It is a "car Park". We can walk faster than the vehicular traffic and you propose to increase the traffic and have AMP's "consultants" justify it with the top four phrases.

This project WILL NOT WORK except for AMP's coffers. The impact on the people who live here will be too great.

It is our understanding that The Planning department is about planning and ensuring that development is not o9nly appropriate BUT will work.

We thought that the state Government and Local Council was about providing facilities to ensure that we have an efficient state which SERVES the people. Your government has ensured that local councils cannot protect its locale and its constituents BUT you seem unable to protect the needs and interests of your constituents. BUT you are very willing to bow to big business.

Come on give us a break! If you want our vote at the next election show that you deserve it.

At this point we are disgusted with what Labour has and has not done over the last 15 years. You have:

1. collected huge amounts of money through Stamp Duty and have wasted it
2. Had an Olympic Games and squandered the flow on from it
3. Allowed the once proud and leading state of NSW to slip to a position of which most of New South Welshmen are ashamed
4. Not planned adequately for infrastructure
5. Not ensured that big manufacturing and contributing companies have been attracted to remain in NSW or to come here
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Electorate Office Marrickville - Marrickville Metro expansion

From: Bec Lindsay <bec.lindsay@gmail.com>
To: <marrickville@parliament.nsw.gov.au>, <dp.office@tebbutt.minister.nsw.gov.au>
Date: 29/08/2010 7:29 PM
Subject: Marrickville Metro expansion

Dear Minister Tebbutt,

I am a resident of Enmore, who loves living in this inner-city village. I love the sense of local community, and that my local shopkeepers know me and I know them. I love that I can walk down the street to small businesses for my groceries and household goods. Like many, I am concerned by the proposed development of Marrickville Metro Shopping centre, as I believe it will erode this sense of local community.

I ask you to stop the expansion of the Marrickville Metro shopping centre because:

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it will cause parking chaos in Enmore and Marrickville

it will devastate our local shopping villages and businesses

it is not located in an area with suitable infrastructure for a shopping mall

it will impact negatively on local residents and business

Regards,

Rebecca Lindsay
4/15 Metropolitan Rd, Enmore 2042

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<http://schoolofdiscipleship.org.au/>

Phil Pick

From: Bec Lindsay [bec.lindsay@gmail.com]
Sent: Sunday, 29 August 2010 7:31 PM
To: Planning
Subject: Re: MP_0191 34 Victoria Road, 13-55 Edinburgh Road and part of Smidmore Street, Marrickville
TO:
The Hon. Tony Kelly, ALGA MLC
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Fiona Bye

From: Sharon Armstrong
Sent: Wednesday, 25 August 2010 9:23 AM
To: Fiona Bye
Subject: FW: Letter re Marrickville Metro
Attachments: Letter+to+Tony_Kelly.doc

From: Karen Bedford [mailto:kfbedford@gmail.com]
Sent: Tuesday, 24 August 2010 6:13 PM
To: Sharon Armstrong
Subject: Letter re Marrickville Metro

Please find attached a letter of opposition to the proposed Marrickville Metro expansion.
regards

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Karen Bedford

24 August 2010

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As a local resident, one of the things I most appreciate about my local area is the smaller local shopping strips. I urge that you would not approve this development as is, but make it a development that is in keeping with the local area and that does not negatively impact the smaller local shops. It would be devastating to see the culture of the inner west destroyed.

Signed: Jemma Castle

Date: 24 August 2010

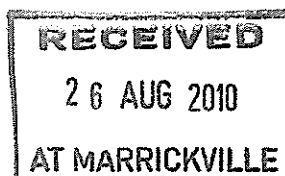
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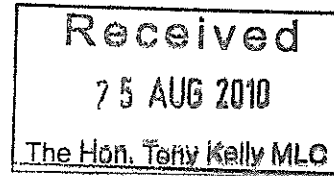
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Sent: Friday, 3 September 2010 9:25 AM
To: Planning
Subject: NO MARRICKVILLE METRO EXPANSION

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From: Bernard Macleod [bernard@macleodmedia.com@sendgrid.me] on behalf of bernard macleod [bernard@macleodmedia.com]
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From: David Mike [david=coolindian.com@sendgrid.me] on behalf of David Mike [david@coolindian.com]
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From: Vicki Mike [vicki_mik@yahoo.com.au@sendgrid.me] on behalf of Vicki Mike [vicki_mik@yahoo.com.au]
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Regards,

Phil Pick

From: Michelle Warren-Langford [mwar6817@uni.sydney.edu.au@sendgrid.me] on behalf of Michelle Warren-Langford [mwar6817@uni.sydney.edu.au]
Sent: Thursday, 2 September 2010 10:10 PM
To: Planning
Subject: NO MARRICKVILLE METRO EXPANSION

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Regards,
Michelle

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Phil Pick

From: Pip Hinman [piph59@gmail.com@sendgrid.me] on behalf of Pip Hinman [piph59@gmail.com]
Sent: Thursday, 2 September 2010 9:55 PM
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Yours sincerely,
Pip Hinman

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Phil Pick

From: Martin Jones [marty.jones@optusnet.com.au@sendgrid.me] on behalf of martin jones [marty.jones@optusnet.com.au]
Sent: Thursday, 2 September 2010 9:52 PM
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Regards,
Martin Jones

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Phil Pick

From: Janny Grant [jannygrant1@gmail.com@sendgrid.me] on behalf of Janny Grant [jannygrant1@gmail.com]
Sent: Thursday, 2 September 2010 8:56 PM
To: Planning
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Regards,
Janny and Phil

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Phil Pick

From: Simon Clarke [simon=luminousobjects.com.au@sendgrid.me] on behalf of Simon Clarke [simon@luminousobjects.com.au]
Sent: Thursday, 2 September 2010 8:46 PM
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Regards,

Simon Clarke

Phil Pick

From: Phil Carruthers [philcarruthers@hotmail.com@sendgrid.me] on behalf of Phil Carruthers [philcarruthers@hotmail.com]
Sent: Thursday, 2 September 2010 8:28 PM
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Phil Carruthers

From: Eileen Hayse [eileenhayse@hotmail.com@sendgrid.me] on behalf of Eileen Hayse [eileenhayse@hotmail.com]
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Phil Pick

From: Liz Wood [myassist@hotmail.com@sendgrid.me] on behalf of Liz Wood [myassist@hotmail.com]
Sent: Thursday, 2 September 2010 8:11 PM
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We come specifically to this area on the weekends because of the unique village atmosphere. There are plenty of huge shopping centres already around if that is what you want, but the community atmosphere is missing from those.

Regards,

Liz and David Wood

Phil Pick

From: Alice Wood [alwood@csu.edu.au@sendgrid.me] on behalf of alice wood [alwood@csu.edu.au]
Sent: Thursday, 2 September 2010 7:19 PM
To: Planning
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Phil Pick

From: Bex Sargent [beckysaddle@hotmail.com@sendgrid.me] on behalf of bex sargent [beckysaddle@hotmail.com]
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Phil Pick

From: Bex Sargent [beckysaddle@hotmail.com@sendgrid.me] on behalf of bex sargent [beckysaddle@hotmail.com]
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Phil Pick

From: Caroline Shepherd [asdothg@yahoo.com.au@sendgrid.me] on behalf of Caroline Shepherd [asdothg@yahoo.com.au]
Sent: Thursday, 2 September 2010 7:04 PM
To: Planning
Subject: I object to the Marrickville Mega Mall

Dear Minister Tony Kelly,

I am a Marrickville resident (and voter!) and I strongly object to the proposed expansion of Marrickville Metro.

I attended the public consultation about the project and spoke at length with one of the planning consultants. I am now more opposed than ever to the 50 -65% increase in traffic and the equal increase in air pollution that the planning consultant admitted would result from the traffic. I am opposed to the removal of established trees, and I strongly object to allowing an impersonal mega mall taking business away from the family businesses on the Marrickville Road shopping strip.

I used to occasionally shop at the Metro, but I have boycotted the centre since I found out about these plans. I do NOT want this giant, inappropriate mall in my area.

As minister for planning, I ask you to save the residents, business owners and inner west community from this massive over development.

Regards,

Caroline Shepherd

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Phil Pick

From: Rachel Coleman [rachelsiobhancoleman@gmail.com@sendgrid.me] on behalf of Rachel Coleman [rachelsiobhancoleman@gmail.com]
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Rebecca Bailey

Phil Pick

From: Natalie Robinson [natalie.michelle.robinson@det.nsw.edu.au@sendgrid.me] on behalf of natalie robinson [natalie.michelle.robinson@det.nsw.edu.au]
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Regards,
Monica Macreadie

Phil Pick

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From: Sunny Liu [sunnyzkliu2010@gmail.com@sendgrid.me] on behalf of Sunny Liu [sunnyzkliu2010@gmail.com]
Sent: Thursday, 2 September 2010 6:27 PM
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Sunny Liu

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Phil Pick

From: Steven Fisher [stephenfisher=syntec.com.au@sendgrid.me] on behalf of steven fisher [stephenfisher@syntec.com.au]
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Phil Pick

From: Tony Stantzios [tonys=audiosolutions.net.au@sendgrid.me] on behalf of Tony Stantzios [tonys@audiosolutions.net.au]
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Phil Pick

From: Selina Springett [selinaluna@hotmail.com@sendgrid.me] on behalf of Selina Springett [selinaluna@hotmail.com]
Sent: Thursday, 2 September 2010 5:30 PM
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Regards,
Selina Springett

Phil Pick

From: Clyde Burgess [bedylc@yahoo.com.au@sendgrid.me] on behalf of Clyde Burgess [bedylc@yahoo.com.au]
Sent: Thursday, 2 September 2010 5:21 PM
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Regards,
Clyde Burgess

Phil Pick

From: Karen Roe [kareneroe@gmail.com@sendgrid.me] on behalf of Karen Roe [kareneroe@gmail.com]
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Karen Roe

Phil Pick

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From: Danny Bakos [dbakos=hotkey.net.au@sendgrid.me] on behalf of Danny Bakos [dbakos@hotkey.net.au]
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Phil Pick

From: Kane Wheatley [wheatley.kane@gmail.com@sendgrid.me] on behalf of Kane Wheatley [wheatley.kane@gmail.com]
Sent: Thursday, 2 September 2010 5:07 PM
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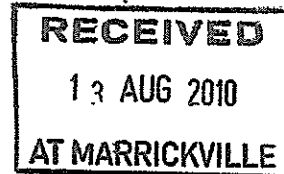
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Use this letter or write your own:

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TO: The Hon. Carmel Tebbutt MP
244 Illawarra Road,
Marrickville NSW 2204



Dear Minister Tebbutt,

I ask you to stop the expansion of the Marrickville Metro shopping centre because:

- it will clog local streets with traffic and delivery trucks
- it will cause parking chaos in Enmore and Marrickville
- it will devastate our local shopping villages and businesses
- it is not located in an area with suitable infrastructure for a shopping mall
- it is a grab for profit by AMP that will impact negatively on local residents and business

Signed:

Name:

Address:

Kane
Kane Wheatley
136 Edinburgh Road
Marrickville 2204



Email us metro_watch@optusnet.com.au and let us know what your concerns are and we'll incorporate them when ever we submit information to stakeholders.

Or let us know if you want to get involved; there are lots of things to do and you might have specific skills we need.

Phil Pick

From: Andrea Guerrini [andyguerrini88@hotmail.com@sendgrid.me] on behalf of andrea guerrini [andyguerrini88@hotmail.com]
Sent: Thursday, 2 September 2010 5:01 PM
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Andrea Guerrini
Erskineville 2043

Phil Pick

From: Wendy Harper-Browne [wendyharper51@hotmail.com@sendgrid.me] on behalf of wendy harper-browne [wendyharper51@hotmail.com]
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