



Comment on suggestion 38

Susan Fryda-Blackwell

1 page

SUSAN FRYDA-BLACKWELL

SUBMISSION TO THE AUSTRALIAN ELECTORAL COMMISSION REGARDING THE NSW

FEDERAL REDISTRIBUTION - SEAT OF NORTH SYDNEY

I live in the federal seat of North Sydney and I would not like to see it abolished for the following reasons.

The area encompasses a wide range of business and residential uses and activities. We enjoy excellent public transport with trains and buses and the new Metro line will have 2 stops in the electorate; one at Crows Nes and another at North Sydney (2 entrances). This has lead to tremendous interest among developers with at least 3 very large apartment projects in the pipeline in my immediate area, all will enjoy close proximity to the northern entrance to the North Sydney Metro ("Victoria Cross" will be the name of the station). Once completed, these 3 projects alone are likely to add approximately 1,000 new residents to the area.

There is already a large number of schools, both private and public, in North Sydney and the arrival of the Metro has led to Reddam House (a for-profit school) intending to open a new campus in McLaren St, again 5 minutes walk from the Metro entrance.

These new residents will enjoy walking proximity to the shops in North Sydney and the businesses. The wider electorate enjoys some of the best retail outlets in Sydney and a growing number of restaurants.

The development of the Metro line has seen a number of new high-rise office developments, particularly within short walking distance of the Metro entrances.

We also enjoy a comprehensive array of medical services and a number of hospitals including Royal North Shore Hospital and the Mater Hospital; vital services for a growing population.

Naturally, this increased activity will require solid and committed representation from our Federal MP. Our MP will have a larger number of constituents to represent from new residents alone.

There is much history associated with both the name of the electorate and the infrastructure that we enjoy. I hope that the electorate of North Sydney will be retained, albeit increased in size.