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Submission: As a City of Sydney resident I writing to express my opposition to the proposed council amalgamations.

I am incredibly impressed with my local council - they have created and maintained a fantastic community that I am so lucky to call home. The City of Sydney is thriving economically and culturally and I see no benefits to amalgamation. If anything, I would be concerned that the amalgamation would take unnecessary resources and time that could be better spent on services, infrastructure and other projects.

I also feel that councils, by nature, should be local. It is vital they understand and meet local needs and I worry that a council servicing 500,000 people would struggle to do this.