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Submission: I would like to submit my total opposition to the amalgamation of City of Sydney with Woollahra, Waverley, Randwick City and Botany Bay Councils - and more broadly to all council amalgamations being contemplated throughout NSW. How can there be any sense of LOCAL government if a council services over half a million people and an area of over 100 square kilometres?! There have been many past amalgamations of this type and they cost considerable time and money, and make local government more and more impersonal - without always leading to the looked-for efficiencies. I've heard many stories of service delays following amalgamations that didn't exist before. City of Sydney has been independently assessed as being in a good financial position, and I would rate their performance, as my local council, as being excellent. It's more than big enough as it is. PLEASE DON'T CREATE MEGA-COUNCILS THROUGHOUT NSW. Thank you.