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Submission: We believe that the City of Sydney is already Fit for the Future and therefore should not be amalgamated with other councils.

The amalgamation process would be disruptive and an impediment to the implementation of Council's 10 year plan, and would cause dangerous loss of business confidence due to the inevitable delays and uncertainties involved in the process.

As residents of the City of Sydney, we believe that standards of service and amenities would inevitably fall as a result of the Council being too large and too impersonal to administer in as an effective manner as at present.

We are concerned that the City's aim to reduce carbon emissions by 70% by 2030 would be thwarted by an amalgamation and that the Council's solar panels and low-carbon LED street lights policies would be abandoned.

For the above reasons, we strongly oppose the proposed amalgamation of the City of Sydney Council with those of Botany, Randwick, Waverley and Woollahra.