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Submission: I wish to lodge an OBJECTION to the proposal that Canada Bay Council merge with Auburn & Burwood Councils.

Canada Bay has little in common with Auburn & Burwood & Auburn at the very least is not even located in the Inner West. From my understanding Auburn is a socio-economic disadvantaged area & that Auburn Council is \$15 MILLION IN DEBT! A merger with other councils would see:

- *our current Council rates will increase disproportionately, difference in land values
- *the proposed 'new' council will have over 200,000 residents
- *increased development & more high rise, possibility of high density housing
- *increased pressure on our infrastructure
- *local council representation for Canada Bay residents will decline due to our smaller population base
- *local assets (parks) will fall under management of a council & majority of members who are outside of our community