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Submission: As residents of Darlington, we cannot see that there is any benefit in amalgamating City of Sydney Council with all the other eastern suburbs council areas. The combined council would not provide the quality of service that we now receive from the Sydney Council.

The cost & dislocation that would occur from combining the five councils will outweigh any benefit from economies of scale.

The other councils do not want this amalgamation because they understand that they are (except for Randwick & Waverley) in a better position to provide local government services than would occur in the greater council.

We feel that the City of Sydney Council currently services, administers and manages its council area very efficiently currently. A mega council would mean years of duplication(implication?) of administration.

If the government thinks this a great move, it should be put to a vote at the next Local Government elections.

We are both firmly against this proposal.

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