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Submission: I have lived at Pymont in the City of Sydney Council area for 6 and a half years, since returning from 5 years in London. My experience of this particular Council has been particularly good - it supports community initiatives, consults with the community, runs with a surplus and has a vision for the city which includes consideration of public transport, cycle ways and energy efficiency. All these issues are important to me.

Clover Moore and her Councillors introduced the concept of a City of Villages. And it works. I cannot see that the governance of the City of Sydney would be improved by creating a huge council area where inevitably the detailed knowledge of the residential areas and particular needs of those residents must be diminished. I strongly oppose any amalgamation of councils in this area as being detrimental to the good governance of our City of Sydney Community.