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Submission: I strongly object to the amalgamation of Leichhardt council.

The Leichhardt council area is of unique significance with Sydney and requires a dedicated council with the understanding of the local area - and amalgamation of the council would threaten the heritage values of the suburbs Leichhardt council represents.

In the 20 years that I have lived within this council area Leichhardt council has been a strong contributing force to developing the council area, fostering positive development and returning public waterfront to the public.

A forced amalgamation would limit the ability of a highly successful, profitable and environmentally conscious council that fights for its residents.

Leichhardt council should remain independent.