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Submission: We are not in favor of a merger with Auburn Council which is the second lowest Council, Canada Bay being the 17th. We have nothing in common with Auburn the demographic is quite different. Drummoyne and Concord Councils amalgamated in 2000 and it has taken up until now for the Council to consider Cabarita Park which is a regional park. A POM 2007 was accepted by Council in 2007 and the POM is still incomplete. The majority of Councilors are from the old Drummoyne area and their focus has been delivered to that area e.g. the "Bay Run" in Five Dock. The Council could certainly stand alone, to join with Auburn would be a disastrous mistake. The park is extensively used on weekends by large groups of villages from the Auburn area that disregard the regulations and by laws of the park as well as the commuter wharf area. This has created conflict with local residents, who have to compete on week ends with a park full of charcoal smoke filled bbq's that are later dumped on the roots of trees, under taps on garden beds and the Federation Pavilion floor has hosted open and charcoal fires. The litter and charcoal mess after a busy weekend in the warmer months leaves an unpleasant reminder of how park rules are not adhered or maintained by folk who do not have the same standards of behavior or do not care at all. This is just one small example of a totally different demographic which may never totally integrate into the community as most other groups have.