

urbanrenewal - Cutting Newcastle rail line

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I believe cutting the rail line into Newcastle is the biggest mistake this state government has made since gaining power as it will not help rejuvenate Newcastle CBS. I believe it will cause more problems than it will solve.

Rail services are meant to connect cities and regions and therefore the government has to consider the needs of people outside Newcastle in cities like maitland, singleton, muswellbrook, scone, dungog, lake macquarie, the central coast and sydney who travel to and from Newcastle for work, recreation and special events like surfest.

You also have to consider the needs of people will find it difficult to change modes of transport for example the elderly, injured and tourists carrying large amounts of luggage.

I also find it difficult to believe that this government will follow through with these plans in these difficult financial times. Past and present sydney centric governments have shown very little interest in Newcastle and have only done something in Newcastle if it benefits them financially or politically.