## urbanrenewal - Newcastle Urban renwal Strategy - Revitalising Newcastle

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**Subject:** Newcastle Urban renwal Strategy - Revitalising Newcastle

Dear Sir/Madam,

My name is Mark Fricker, I am a small business owner and Father to 5 young children aged between 7 and 14.

I am sending this email in support, and to thank the State Govt., Ministers and local MP Tim Owen, for showing the leadership, intestinal fortitude and courage to remove the railway line and build a new transport interchange at Wickham.

I attended the 2-4pm Community Information Session at Newcastle City Hall 20<sup>th</sup> February,2013. The convener, was extremely professional and patient in his control of the loud minority of anti revitalization people in attendance, and who monopolized the public speaking. This minority does not represent the Newcastle Community.

I am also in support of the five recommendations listed below:-

- 1/. Deregulation of the proposed planning controls to reflect the principles of the Green Paper on sector reform.
- 2/.Bringing forwards a Regional Transport Plan that interlocks with the strategy.
- 3/. Fixing the problem of mine subsidence with a funding model that gives certainty.
- 4/. Using local expertise as a key input to the design process.
- 5/. Within twelve months a clear and fully funded Implementation Plan with milestone dates for achievements.

Thanks again to the State Government and Tim Owen for making this decision and investing in our great City. It will be my children and other community members' children who will benefit most from your decision to make Newcastle an even better place to live in the future.

All the best, Mark Fricker MBA MHRM 3 Young St., Cooks Hill,NSW,2300. 0418-296658.