urbanrenewal - Government's Newcastle Urban Renewal Strategy

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To whom it may concern,

I am writing in support of the Government's Newcastle Urban Renewal Strategy. It is of huge concern that such a positive plan and decisive attendance to critical changes to Newcastle may be under threat by a very practised and organised vocal <u>minority</u> and I wish to add a firm voice to the support for this essential plan.

I am in full agreement with the *Newcastle Renewal Taskforce* and its own support of the five crucial recommendations that must be included if the strategy is to succeed in creating a truly world-class city;

- 1. Deregulation of the proposed planning controls to reflect the principles of the Green Paper on sector reform
- 2. Bringing forward a Regional Transport Plan that interlocks with the strategy
- 3. Fixing the problem of mine subsidence, once and for all, with a funding model that gives cost 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 achievement

Most Novocastrians agree with the principles and necessity of change within the CBD, many do not understand the complex requirements that will make this an unqualified success and now require your leadership to ensure that it is.

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