

## urbanrenewal - My opinion and submission

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To whom it may concern,

I am responding in regards to the Newcastle Urban Renewal Strategy 2012 that is highlighted in Tim Owen's Feb 2013 Newsletter, and the subsequent Artists Impressions in the brochure.

I find these artists impressions a deliberate attempt to mislead the public in regard to:

- 1) the perception of the amount of open space being created;
- 2) the lack of fore-sight into the amount of additional road traffic that will be created by the closure of the rail line and closure of road lanes in Hunter Street.  
Where will all this huge amount of additional motor vehicle traffic park?
- 3) the deliberate lack of motor vehicle traffic shown in the before and after images, giving a false sense of open space and pedestrian safety on and near these major roadways;
- 4) the thought of converting the open space at Wheeler Place (presently ideal for gatherings, events etc) into an area full of large inappropriately placed trees – this space should be left open, and trees should be planted elsewhere, NOT in the middle of a designated meeting place where marquees, TV screens and other items would be set up ;
- 5) the over-representation of cafes on the newly created footpaths, giving the impression that the full length of Hunter Street will be viable to have this many eateries in the area;

Thank you,  
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