

urbanrenewal - retention of Newcastle railway line from Wickham to Newcastle CBD.

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I support the retention of the Newcastle railway line from Wickham to Newcastle CBD because it's a piece of existing infrastructure that is already in existence, being useful for the people of Newcastle and visitors to Newcastle. I use this existing and excellent piece of infrastructure each time I visit Newcastle. There are many reasons why I may want to get to and from Newcastle CBD without driving a car or catching a bus. There are the beautiful beaches just beyond the CBD, the walks - either to Nobbies or King Edward Park, to visit friends, go to the movies, restaurants or shops. It is pathetic and bankrupt to consider it PROGRESS! to dismantle such a useful piece of infrastructure. I suggest that the planners go back to the planning board as there are many ideas possible for invigorating the area without removing an extremely useful asset.

and don't tell me that it'll be easy to transfer from train to bus - why should we have to?? Once one is on a train, it is inconvenient to need to make a change. Tell the developers that THEY can make a change - to their plans! Leave our railway alone. Heaven only knows NSW needs more railways, not fewer.

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