

urbanrenewal - Necastle Rail line

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Dear Sir/Ma'am,

Once the Newcastle Railway line is closed at Wickham, why can't the existing line be dug up and placed underground, using "cut and cover" which is a very cheap form of tunnelling.

The land above can be sold off to developers to pay for it, and there would be ample connection between the city and the harbour as there would be no rail line to cross. The underground railway could then be used by a privately run shuttle using high speed trams, a metro or even heavy rail.

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