## urbanrenewal - Revitalising Newcastle CBD

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To whom it may concern,

In the 40 years that I have been raised in this beautiful city of ours I still appreciate all the amazing things it has to offer.

Some of the highlights have been the changes which have occurred since the year 2000. For example the transformation of Honeysuckle into a thriving entertainment centre and the revitilisation of Hunter Street Mall as a developing cultural precinct whilst still maintaining our quality of life.

For so many years the rail crossings at Civic and Hunter Street Stations have been an eyesore on our city landscape, occupied by limited numbers and the cause of frustration for pedestrian and motor vehicle traffic. The removal of the railway line to open the city centre would be a positive move forward in the evolution of our city.

I am in full support of the leadership position taken by government and the courageous decision to build a new transport interchange at Wickham as part of the Government's Newcastle Urban Renewal Strategy.

I look forward to raising my children in a vibrant which contains a city centre they can be proud of!

Best regards

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