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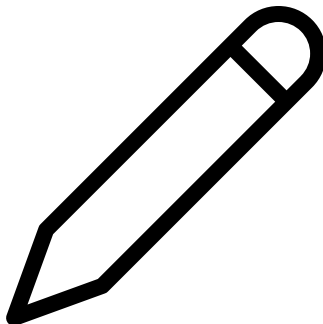
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As a resident of Stockton we have three issues that I particularly wish to raise.

1. We experience significant dust pollution and have concerns for our health. Any escalation in coal exports from Newcastle especially if the T4 terminal is built will simply add to the cumulative impact that is already been experienced. In an era where it is widely accepted that climate change is upon us (70% of NSW Liberal party delegates excepted) that the future is surely not coal and Newcastle should be actively seeking diversification from an industry that belongs to the last century.
2. It is with considerable irony that a helicopter port with strictly limited hours of operation is vetoed from Sydney and yet we have helicopters operating 24/7 with two flights for each ship entering and leaving the port. A relocation of the helicopter base to Kooragang Island would eliminate much of this noise pollution.
3. Continual redevelopment in the Newcastle CBD and Honeysuckle area will put considerable strains on the ability of the city to handle additional traffic and car parking requirements. The decision to sell a block of land in Honeysuckle that currently caters for parking of some 200 cars will be a significant issue. It is absolutely necessary that an adequate width of public space is left between the development on this site and the foreshore to cater for pedestrians and cyclists and other public amenities. The cessation of the rail link into Newcastle prior to a light rail system being in place (or even planned) is hard to accept as good decision making.



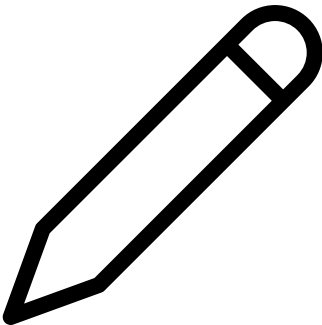
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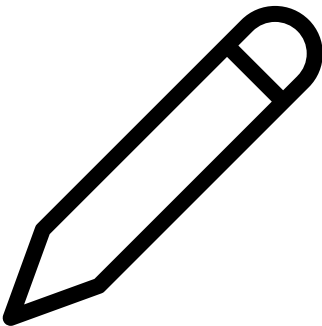
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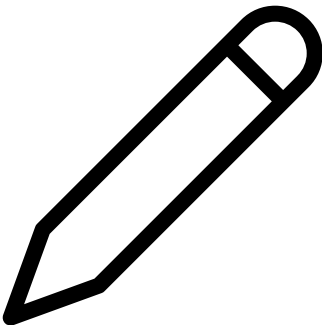
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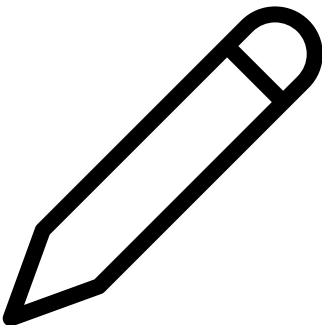
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