

Our Ref: GSD20/05278

5 August 2020

Anne Warr, FRAIA, PhD
President
Millers Point Community Resident Action Group CRAG
Email: warr.anne@gmail.com

Dear Anne,

Thank you for your letter dated 14 May 2020 regarding the temporary cycle detour arrangements during the planned upgrade of the Fort Street Public School at Observatory Hill. I apologise for the delay in responding.

I appreciate you taking the time to outline your concerns, and your request for Transport for NSW (TfNSW) to upgrade the southern access to the Sydney Harbour Bridge cycleway before the planned school work, in order to provide cyclists with a route during the school construction, avoiding the need for a proposed detour.

The Fort Street Public School upgrade is scheduled to commence in early 2021, subject to approval of the State Significant Development (SSD) application.

While there is a preferred option and concept design for the proposed cycleway upgrade on the southern end of the Sydney Harbour Bridge, the project is unlikely to commence within the next 6-12 months, and constructions time frames would therefore be in conflict with the scheduled commencement date for the school upgrade.

Constructing the new cycle way in advance of the school upgrade would not remove the need for the detour, as this same route along Kent Street, Argyle Street and Watson Road is proposed during the upgraded cycleway construction.

TfNSW we are committed to working closely with School Infrastructure NSW to plan and coordinate construction activities so that impacts on local residents and road users are kept to a minimum.

I appreciate your feedback and acknowledge the change and impact being experienced by the Millers Point community as a result of major project work in the area.

Once again, I appreciate you taking the time to write to me on this matter.

If you have any further questions, please contact Julie Sundqvist, Director, Eastern Harbour City, Greater Sydney at julie.sundqvist@transport.nsw.gov.au.

I hope this has been of assistance.

Yours sincerely

**Elizabeth Mildwater** 

E. Sikhade

Deputy Secretary, Greater Sydney Transport for NSW

CC: Alex Greewich MP

Julie Sundqvist, Director, Eastern Harbour City, Transport for NSW