

5 May 2020

The Hon Sarah Mitchell MLC  
Minister for Education and Early Childhood Learning  
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SYDNEY NSW 2001

Dear Minister

### **Fort Street Public School Redevelopment**

I write on behalf of the Fort Street Public School community and constituents who are concerned about some aspects of the school redevelopment and expansion.

A number of constituents and groups have contacted me about urgent COVID-19 restrictions preventing opportunities for community dialogue and comment about this project, seeking further opportunities to contribute to the project and ensure that identified impacts are prevented during assessment and approval.

In February, I raised concerns from The Millers Point Community Resident Action Group about pedestrian safety and traffic, and asked for further community engagement. Earlier this month asked the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure to fast-track construction of the southern leg of the Sydney Harbour Bridge Cycleway project to address longstanding concerns about safety and conflict between motorists, bike riders and pedestrians at the school entrance.

The Fort Street P&C has contacted me about concerns with the scale of the new school on the restricted site and has limited accessibility. In addition to traffic congestion and conflict with other road users at the school entrance, the P&C has identified concerns with a single entry for the future 550 students and inadequate open play area for local students living in apartments without private open space.

A number of individuals have also contacted me about these concerns, seeking further information and opportunities to comment. This is vital infrastructure for the local community, with major development and demographic changes underway.

***Could you please consider further opportunities for community comment on this project and inform me what action you will take?***

Yours sincerely



Alex Greenwich  
**Member for Sydney**

