

Re: Proposed Train Line from City to Malabar

To Whom It May Concern:

To our shock we have only just discovered that there are plans to bring a train line into the small suburb of Malabar. After discussing this with many community members none of us were aware or notified by our local government of these plans. This is extremely unacceptable, sneaky & sinister to say the least.

There is no reason for a train line to enter Malabar, let alone any other small suburb. You don't see a train line being diverted from Carlingford into Dundas Valley for instance. Unless of course there is a benefit to an investor or developer perhaps. Since the Goal is publicly on the table this leads to a clear determination that a big time developer lets say the likes of Harry Triguboff aka 'High Rise Harry' who has a very clear interest in large parcels of land in and around our area for mass scale high rise units, , this would be extremely beneficial for him to have a train line come into Malabar so it has direct access to Goal area which I am sure he is very interested in purchasing.

There is absolutely NO need for a train line of any kind to enter Malabar, why would you avoid all the residents at Little Bay & La Perouse??? There is a new large community at Little Bay why would the line not continue along Anzac Parade? There is plenty of Government owned land available for the line to slot into nicely without disturbing the surrounding suburbs. The original tram line was run on Anzac Parade, why would you not utilise this space again? Why would you waste tax payers money in disturbing a small suburb like Malabar & potentially taking away peoples houses to fit this into??

Malabar has a large senior and young family demographic, all the delightful diagrams (which when you click on for the detailed plans are blurry, conveniently!!) and endless statistics on your Future Transport 2056 Strategy continually go on about how you want to keep the community safe, well why would you plonk a train line into such a small spaced community with schools on the main roads? School zones are dangerous enough with the ongoing car traffic.

This plan is extremely questionable in functionality, purpose & who it benefits.

This proposal cannot even be seriously considered without the feedback from the Community & Council Meetings. The Planning Department has been extremely evasive & unhelpful in any information on this matter, again leads us all to believe this is not for the benefit of the Malabar community.