

This email is a strong objection to the Hanson Batching Plant SSD 8544.

My wife and I live in Pymont, in the Evolve apartments, 2 Bowman Street. After retiring we came here in early 2017. We were encouraged by friends and persuaded by the promise of a coherent master planning vision for the area.

We were deceived. My wife and I have both worked long and hard to be able to retire in Jacksons Landing. Our way of life and our health are now under threat from the Hanson concrete plant on Glebe Island.

Asserting “the public interest”, DPIE has approved Hanson to produce 1 million cu metres of concrete every year for 20 years, able to operate 24/7/365. It is 200 metres from our home, and the homes of thousands of Pymont residents.

The scope and scale of this massive community intrusion are alarming:

1. Health: The pollutants from the industrial process will cause long term health risks; their well-established health effects range from cancer to dementia to blindness.
2. Pollution: Air, noise, light and marine.
3. 200 industrial shipping movements every year as a minimum
4. Views & sightlines. The concrete factory will rise above the carriageway of the ANZAC Bridge, obliterating 140 metres of bridge view from every aspect & vantage point.
5. Destruction of the last great harbourside access point in Sydney Harbour.

The approval of Hanson is a breach of the trust that we citizens are entitled to expect from the government.

The DPIE’s weak conditions of consent are framed in the interests of Hanson. This is one of my greatest concerns. During his address to the IPC public hearing on Monday 17<sup>th</sup> May, Jamie Parker MP stated on several occasions “If it’s not a condition of consent it doesn’t exist”.

The proponents and enablers of this massive industrial project have proved that they know the price of everything and the value of nothing. In 20 years, as the Hanson plant grinds on with its filth and pollution, the public will say “what on earth were they thinking?”

In 2015, Premier Baird looked forward to the tech hub encompassing Glebe Island and White Bay.

In 2021, DPIE, Hanson and the Port Authority looked backward 100 years by their insistence on the so-called “industrial harbour”.

I urge IPC to halt the Hanson project.

The “Submission to the Independent Planning Commission” prepared by Jacksons Landing Coalition Inc was recently lodged to the IPC portal. It includes a detailed analysis and critique of DPIE’s failure to impose rigorous consent conditions in the interests of the broader community.

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