

**Subject:** Re: WCC Western Harbour Tunnel (WHT) EIS submission – Agenda item 15.6 Council meeting 20 April 2020

Dear Willoughby City Councillors,

On behalf of Willoughby South Progress Association, thank you to Council Officers for their detailed and expert review and analysis forming WCC's submission to the TfNSW WHT EIS which we strongly support.

We note the extensive workload underpinning the WCC submission and we would like to extend our appreciation of the effort that has been taken to provide substantial and relevant areas of objections to the current TfNSW WHT EIS and the subsequent provision of opportunities for further review and improvement.

We also thoroughly support the contention that any environmental assessment of this project and indeed any other project must be informed by consultation with relative local government agencies and support WCC in being included in all future high-level stakeholder engagement processes for projects within and surrounding the LGA.

As a community organisation, however, we do have reservations over any new or increased tolls or changes to toll strategy. With the ever increasing cost of living, we would feel this strategy would need to be considered on many levels, not just optimising the movement of car traffic.

Sincerely,

**Linda Tully**

President

Willoughby South Progress Association