

Item 12.6

Notices of Motion

Redfern North Eveleigh Rezoning Proposal

By Councillor Ellsmore

It is resolved that:

- (A) Council note that Transport for NSW has announced a rezoning proposal for the 'Redfern North Eveleigh Precinct Renewal', for public land adjoining Redfern Train Station and Carriageworks on Wilson Street in Darlington;
- (B) Council note that the plans for the site include: public space; new buildings ranging from three to 28 storeys; shops and retail; significant development of industrial heritage including the 'Paint Shop'; commercial buildings; and 15 per cent affordable housing (estimated 67 of a proposed new 450 homes);
- (C) Council note that more than 100 local residents attended a public meeting organised by residents' action group Redfern Everleigh Darlington Waterloo Watch (REDWatch), at the Redfern Community Centre on Saturday 13 August 2022, about the proposal;
- (D) Council note the high level of community concern about the proposal, including but not limited to:
 - (i) the short time frame for public comment on the proposal (submissions close 25 August 2022);
 - (ii) the lack of community input into development of the plans for the site, and lack of community input to the vision for the precinct generally;
 - (iii) loss or sell off of inner-city public land;
 - (iv) lack of protection for the unique industrial heritage in and around Redfern Station;
 - (v) insufficient affordable and public housing; and
 - (vi) lack of commitment for a connecting bridge across the railway tracks; and
- (E) Council commit to:
 - (i) facilitate the articulation of a better vision for the precinct – one which reflects the priorities and needs of current and future communities; and
 - (ii) support residents in their efforts to advocate for more time and significant changes to the plans for the site.

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