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Dear Dept of Planning,

Thanks for the opportunity to comment.

Agree with the general planning principles, however it is how they are applied that I think are material.

1. Taller buildings should be clustered along the spine of the peninsula, mainly to the southern end leaving access to the water and views for drivers, residents and visitors. Suggest the existing hubs along the northern eastern side of the Anzac Bridge onramp, where Ch 10 and Nova buildings are could go up, and the fish market site redevelopment not have high rise, but be staggered like the Carrier Air Conditioning site redevelopment in Balmain. This would allow drivers leaving the city over the Anzac Bridge to continue to enjoy views of Blackwattle Bay over to Glebe. Or as part of the redevelopment of the old fish market and the precinct, perhaps we need a whole rethink of that onramp to the bridge heading west, it's a mess! I've sat on Pyrmont Bridge Road for 4/5 changes of lights waiting to turn right, only to have some fool come up in the left lane and then turn right across the two lanes patiently waiting their turn! So in the short term better light sequencing and a camera to pick up the fools would be helpful!
2. People visiting the new fish market site can wander to the newly accessible Wentworth Park area for a picnic (fully support that idea!) or wander off towards transport or additional low rise retail/transport hub at the old fish market redevelopment to pick up veges from a proper fruit/vege shop (NOT WOOLIES OR COLES!) to cook with their fish or sit in the evening sun for a cocktail and enjoy the waterfront, before heading home. A mix of low rise residential and tourist accommodation would keep the area vibrant.
3. Using the old road bridge beneath the Anzac Bridge for bikes and walkers is a no brainer! Not only does it allow access to the CBD by bike for workers, it links the Balmain/White Bay area and allows people to enjoy exercise by the water. Making the whole Pyrmont Peninsula walkable along the harbour, as has been done with Glebe is also encouraged. Many a time, I've watched tourists staying in some of the converted warehouses have to walk along Harris St to get into the city, it would be good for them to have easier access and for Harris St to be beautified. Now that the Powerhouse will stay, that also needs some maintenance and beautification please. I have no issue with a piece of architectural brilliance being put above it if space allows....
4. The Star City proposal is, and remains too high and out of context, and even if surrounding heights do rise, Pyrmont should not attempt to compete with the CBD in terms of height, but to complement, in terms of design excellence and reflecting the area's character. In fact the existing Casino seems out of place, would it be worth considering a move further south in the precinct to more closely align with the other high rise developments and connect to Central/China Town etc?
5. Mixing the price points and accommodation types for the area is a good idea, but can we encourage any new development to be environmentally friendly, no low roofs in apartment buildings so people are forced to have lights and use dryers – wherever possible, use the sunlight and the fresh breezes that blow across the peninsula for cooling, drying and light. Roof gardens, composting centres, recycling and refillable centres, would minimise waste from restaurants and homes. This would also provide employment in the area...
6. Plant trees, trees and more trees, please!
7. Shared smart vehicles that people can hop on and off, would be good, as would electric charging stations and shared bikes – but they need to be from dedicated bike park bays, like in Oslo, not the trashy solutions we've seen so far in Sydney.

...and in closing, can we plead for no more square or rectangular boxes of high rise, Sydney is JUST starting to get some good architecture, it would be fantastic to see more.

We look forward to contributing to the future of Pyrmont redevelopment.

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I agree to the above statement

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