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Dear Yasmin,

At the recent general meeting of the Catherine Hill Bay Progress Association (18/9/2022), there was much discussion about the proposed Draft Lake Macquarie City Destination Management Plan 2022-2026.

As you are aware, the Association has tried for many years to protect the coal loader and find an adaptive re-use for this jetty. Council was not prepared to place such a burden on the ratepayers and there was no one willing to find a purpose for this jetty. The Heritage Office refused to give heritage listing to the jetty in 2019.

We have been told that not one cent has been spent on the upkeep of the jetty other than trying to keep people off it. The State Government now has ownership of the jetty, and we are informed they are looking to demolish it.

Yet, we read on P103 of Council's draft full plan: "Opportunities identified -Catherine Hill Bay-hotel on the jetty, boutique accommodation within the village". This is very much at odds with what we have come to accept that the jetty has been allowed to deteriorate to such an extent that it needs to be demolished.

To help us understand the situation more fully, we would like to request that you would undertake to obtain from the NSW Department of Planning the engineering report on the state of the jetty.

Please see attached the submission from the Catherine Hill Bay Progress Association regarding the: **Draft Lake Macquarie City Destination Management Plan 2022-2026.**

Thank you very much for any assistance on this matter.

Yours sincerely

Sue Whyte
President
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