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I see that in the following email that Transport for NSW want a temporary exemption:

The Australian Human Rights Commission has received an application from Transport for NSW for a temporary exemption to the Disability Standards for Accessible Public Transport 2002 (DSAPT) in relation to the Birchgrove ferry wharf in Sydney. The application is made pursuant to section 33A.1 of the DSAPT

Since the wharf has been built, probably in the late 19th century there has been no disability access. Now the government want another at least another five years without access! When the plan was proposed and a presentation was made to local residents at Balmain Town Hall a few years back, I raised this question of access and I was told this was out of budget. This is unacceptable in 2018, and they should be held to account for their refusal. Its a question of priorities, and the State Governments priority is the car driver.

If they argue the wharf has low usage, this is because of the lack of access! Build the access and people will come. Improved access will not only benefit the disabled, but also the old, infirm , those with child in prams and cyclists.

You are the last hope

Thanks

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