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Barangaroo audit confirms Labor left work to be done

The NSW Planning and Infrastructure Minister, Brad Hazzard today welcomed the Auditor General's report on Barangaroo, noting it highlighted issues Labor failed to address in Government.

"Barangaroo is a bold project for Sydney and this report confirms the Government's view that the former Labor Government failed to address all aspects needed to maximise the potential of this project.

"The report also confirms the Government was right to instigate a 'short-sharp review' of the processes involved in Barangaroo.

"What is contained in the Auditor General's report comes as no surprise to the new Government, but is a very valuable tool in ensuring the best possible outcome for Barangaroo.

"The Government's 'short-sharp review' together with the Auditor General's report, will provide a blueprint for future action.

"Barangaroo is a golden opportunity for world-class development and working with Lend Lease, the NSW Government will ensure Sydney becomes number one again.

"It is very concerning that the former Labor Government failed to adequately focus on transport arrangements, the public domain, and the risks associated with developer contribution forecasts.

"I will be working with my colleagues, including Transport Minister, Gladys Berejiklian to address the issues necessary to make the outcome of Barangaroo the very best."

"In addition to its current review, this Government has already increased consultation with Lend Lease and other interested groups on the way forward.

"As Minister, I believe there is a unity of purpose across the varying views, which is to ensure Barangaroo is a fantastic development for Sydney, NSW and the world.

"There should be just one purpose – to ensure the best possible outcome for a world-class Barangaroo."

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