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I would like to submit a statement to the inquiry into the proposal to build an AFL stadium at Macquarie Point.

This proposal has taken many of us by surprise, including me. My understanding was that any proposal for this site would be to the benefit of the wider community who currently use adjacent areas.

I do not believe that a stadium of this size will deliver adequate utilisation and acceptable activation of this critically important historic site for Hobart.

Such a large stadium on this site would compromise the historical and aesthetic values of the area.

It would also:

Rule out potential installation of public transport infrastructure here;

Impede pedestrian flow and amenity in the area plus;

Remove the capacity of the state government to invest in other public infrastructure projects that would benefit the wider public, not just AFL fans.

Most particularly a large stadium on this site runs counter to the state government's and the public's past intentions to expand infrastructure that will support cultural and community activities in the area, involving the wider community, most particularly our First Nation peoples.

In conclusion, this proposal has been prepared and presented without consultation with either the wider public or relevant experts and as a result this use of the site does not reflect their views.

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