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To:
Simon Scott
Committee Secretary
Parliamentary Standing Committee of Public Accounts
Parliament House HOBART TAS 7000

I would like Mr Rockliff and his government to know that I am opposed to a football stadium being built in Tasmania in the immediate future.
I'm also opposed to one being built at Macquarie Point.

My reasons;

1. The State government has abandoned the strategic planning process, that led to the agreed Macquarie Point Masterplan, including the Antarctic & Science Precinct and 'centrepiece' Truth and Reconciliation Art Park, (why?) and now to build an AFL football/sports stadium.
2. Not enough public involvement, discussion and consultation has been made available as yet. Nor has thorough, independent relevant research (looking long-term and beyond) on every level and aspect, been conducted and published.
3. Further more, the proposed stadium will destroy the integrity of Macquarie Point and prevent the use of it for all Tasmanians & visitors. Not everyone likes football or crowded sporting events but everyone should have access to beautiful cultural spaces and information centres, that in turn can host events, create revenue AND to be made available for all people.
4. According to a poll conducted in December, 70 per cent of Tasmanian people reported against the stadium.
5. This is one of the few remaining development opportunities on **public land** in an Australian capital city. Don't blow it!

I support the proposed enquiry by the Parliamentary Standing Committee of Public Accounts into and report on the Tasmanian Government's process into the feasibility planning for a new sporting and event stadium in Hobart with a particular emphasis on the 8 points listed.

Thank you.

Yours sincerely,
Fiona Ferguson

