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Dear Committee Secretary

I write to outline my opposition to the proposed \$750 million stadium at Macquarie Point. If this prime site must be developed, then development should be more broadly based to be utilised by a greater cross section of the Tasmanian community.

As a taxpayer I object to public funding going towards this project when

- thousands of Tasmanians can't get a home,
- it is virtually impossible to get a GP appointment within 7-10 days,
- more than 55,000 Tasmanians are on the health waiting list to see a specialist, and
- the cost of living is making life harder for all Tasmanians.

The AFL can't demand that Tasmanians pay for a new roofed stadium to have our own Tasmanian team and no other state has been required to do this.

Tasmanians have not been consulted on the chosen site or cost and I do not support the decision made by the government. In fact, I believe the groundswell of public opinion expressed in various surveys is strongly opposed to the plan and the site.

The government has not presented a business case that outlines the merits of this project or explained why our state should be burdened with further debt when the state already has two AFL standard stadiums, one in the north and one in the south that will now go to waste.

Another stadium is the wrong priority for our state, we should be spending the money on public transport infrastructure, improved hospital and medical care and the social benefit of the broad Tasmanian community not just a minority that support a sport that is played in no other country in the world.

Kind regards

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