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Dear Committee Secretary,

I cannot think a more irresponsible decision could be made by the state government regarding spending \$750 millions for a stadium.

The State government is proposing to spend an incredible amount of money on a new stadium, which is neither needed nor wanted, except by a small fraction of the population, at a time when the Tasmanian health system is seriously stressed due to the shortage of underpaid and overworked staff, there is an increasing numbers of homeless people, a serious shortage of housing (both rental and for sale), and public schools are suffering from a shortage of teachers and support staff (also underpaid). All this, due to the inability to attract quality workers because of the poor conditions and salaries, with the current government claiming it cannot afford to increase salaries for health workers, teachers, and other professionals.

This is neither proper use of public money, nor sound financial management, let alone using precious waterfront public space in Hobart, which could be much better used as public open space available to all Tasmanians and visitors.

Furthermore, has there been any thoughts given to the effect such a venue would create to the existing traffic problems in the CBD, and ever decreasing parking.

It beggars belief that the proposal was even thought of.

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