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To whom it concerns:

I write to oppose the proposed AFL Stadium at Macquarie Point .

There has been no proper community consultation about this proposal, and many citizens are totally against the idea; the packed Town Hall meeting in November showed some of this opposition.

The Tasmanian Government cannot allow itself to be bullied by the AFL into spending such a huge amount of money - money which this state can ill afford. The Government's stadium business case suggests that the stadium would host a mere 7 games a year, and for that they will pay 2% of the \$750 million cost - are we crazy??? How can we afford this??? Knowing how construction costs always blow out over time, even this eye-watering sum is sure to increase.

A cost-benefit analysis commissioned by the government shows that the stadium would lose \$300m over 20 years. Yes, and probably even more. I repeat : are we crazy???

Government members cannot be blind to Tasmania's current crying need for money for PUBLIC HOUSING, HEALTH, EDUCATION and PUBLIC TRANSPORT. There is no justification for this project. Bellerive Oval could be used, or have a modest, less costly upgrade.

In short, we do not need a new stadium, and we definitely cannot afford it.

Please act in the interest of Tasmanians - not the AFL.

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