

I believe that the Macquarie Point Stadium must not go ahead. There are many critical flaws in the location, design, and cost of the stadium. The fact the cost has jumped another \$200 million with this report is shocking. The Silverdome cost only \$4 million to build, while UTAS Stadium is undergoing a \$130 million dollar overhaul which will make it even larger than Mac Point!

When the stadium is described as “multipurpose”, what are the other purposes to the stadium? It will be able to host a football game every couple of weeks. Are it's other purposes being an eyesore and ruining Hobart's waterfront?

Next thing: congestion. The stadium will destroy Hobart's already crippled road system. The stadium will be poorly located near several major highway junctions, meaning traffic from Glenorchy and Northern Tasmania will block traffic from the Tasman Bridge and Domain Highway. From the south all traffic will flood through Hobart's CBD, ruining the atmosphere in the city and making it far less friendly for pedestrians and cyclists. Building new massive car parks in the northern suburbs is an awful idea, it will ruin the feel of the suburbs and destroy the lives of many. NO NEW STADIUM!

On another note, the decision for the Bus Rapid Transit system to be expanded to Glebe Hill and Kingston is a good one, as Light Rail will not work in their terrain. However the northern suburbs corridor is ripe for rail and does not need a busway. Buses are unreliable and get stuck in traffic. There is no reason to sacrifice reliability and speed for a slightly cheaper alternative.