

28th May 2025

Re: Macquarie Point Multipurpose Stadium Enabling Legislation

I am writing to express my concerns and opposition to the proposed Macquarie Point Multipurpose Stadium enabling Legislation.

- I am deeply opposed to the Liberal Government's proposal to override the due process of the Planning Commission which has flagged negative impacts of the project.
- The exorbitant cost of the project which has now been verified, will no doubt blow out as these projects invariably do, and the resulting financial consequences for Tasmania cannot be allowed to proceed. A responsible elected government should give priority focus to critical current and future needs of the Tasmanian people – housing, health and education.
- I am opposed to the proposal of sale of government assets to fund financial shortfalls – an irresponsible idea and detrimental to Tasmanian taxpayers.
- The potential approval <u>forced through</u> by this Enabling Legislation would lead to a highly detrimental effect on the Hobart skyline and Hobart's heritage value, so treasured by all visitors to our State. How can we destroy this?
- The potential approval <u>forced through</u> by this Enabling Legislation ignores flagged traffic and transport problems and chaos that will arise by building the stadium out on a point with limited access and parking.
- The potential approval of the project <u>forced through</u> by this Enabling Legislation is perceived by this Liberal government as a 'win' for Tasmanians. I vehemently disagree and believe focus on funding for Health, Housing and Education should take priority for the genuine benefit of all Tasmanians.
- The proposed Macquarie Point Multipurpose Stadium Enabling Legislation represents a desperate attempt by a weak government, who has been held to ransom by the demands of the AFL, to bow down and deliver a negative outcome for Tasmanians for the sake of an AFL team.
  It represents a poor decision re land use with only be a handful of AFL games a year. It is an unrealistic expectation that the venue will attract additional capacity concerts etc. Tasmania does not have the population or economic stability to make this viable. The site would be better developed as an

extension to the Salamanca/Constitution Dock precinct promoting vibrant day/night usage for all. With a little imagination and vision the area could become a brilliant locals/tourist area.

I respectfully ask that you please acknowledge my opposition to the Macquarie Point Multipurpose Stadium Enabling Legislation,
Show courage, demonstrate integrity and do not be intimidated or blackmailed by the AFL into backing a project that will financially burden Tasmanians into the future.

**AFL Team YES** 

Macquarie Point Multipurpose Stadium NO

With kind regards