

**Submission
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INQUIRY INTO MUSEUMS AND GALLERIES

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Dear members of the parliament,

I'm writing to you in support of keeping the powerhouse museum in Ultimo. I moved to Ultimo 10 years ago, and I've been to the museum many times since then.

The museum is one of the jewels of our suburb, I'm extremely proud of the institution.

Our suburb has suffer over development for the last 7 years, we've seen many buildings in our area being knocked down to be converted into high towers. But to sell a public land to the developers is just too much.

As real estate deals go, the \$200 million Powerhouse land grab is small potatoes. The Powerhouse sits in the middle of a multi-billion dollar development goldmine. To the north is the \$6 billion Barangaroo South project, adjoining the \$3.4 billion Darling Harbour redevelopment which flows onto the \$2 billion Central Park complex.

The proposal to move the Powerhouse museum to Parramatta is about the developer driven privatisation of public land and have nothing to do with any positive cultural or community outcome

Jack Munday and the CFMEU have put a Green Ban on the Western Sydney site, the same action that saved the Rocks from redevelopment in the 1970s. The National Trust of Australia (NSW) has strenuously objected to the proposed high rise development.

Please help us stop this cash grabbing exercise. The powerhouse belongs to Ultimo and Parramatta should have its own museum, but not to the expense of our institution. Parramatta probably needs a new hospital but no one is thinking of closing Sydney Hospital to fund a new one in Parramatta.

Thanks for your attention