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If the move of the powerhouse goes ahead, the historic power station is at risk of being demolished. The Powerhouse is a great design for a museum. The old industrial halls of a building like that is a great setting for a museum of technology and industry. That, and its proximity to the railway, to central, to the goods line, etc... it helps root it in place. A new museum in Parramatta should be exactly that- a new museum. Not a costly re-hash of the powerhouse. Perhaps this newer one could focus more on science, the existing one more about design and engineering. The powerhouse is such a great space. It would be an awful shame to lose it. We should be trying to expand and improve our city, not trashing it. Let's keep what's good, and add to it, as we have funds. Thanks.