

**Submission
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INQUIRY INTO MUSEUMS AND GALLERIES

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- 1) To sell the Powerhouse Museum Site for commercial development is a denial of public rights as it was built for the public by the public and the continued privatisation of such properties must be made accountable
- 2) The existing Powerhouse attracts large numbers of visitors and is vital to research, tourist, education & pleasure of a major city.
- 3) Why not follow the lead of institutions such as the London Tate which has built satellite museums outside London without harming the integrity of the two Tate galleries within the city and thus provides a cultural hub in regional areas.
- 4) There is ample collection for two museums and this would reduce the cost of storage in Castle Hill. It would also allow this extensive collection to be seen by the public without stripping the resources of such a major collection from its inner city base where it attracts scholars, tourists, and families.

Yours faithfully