

INQUIRY INTO WINDSOR BRIDGE REPLACEMENT PROJECT

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We are frequent visitors to Windsor and think the existing bridge should be retained for local traffic only and a bypass built downstream for the trucks and other traffic, providing a flood evacuation route at the same time.

The atmosphere of Thompson Square and the wonderful heritage buildings that form part of it will be forever ruined if the current proposal goes ahead. It seems the local council is trying to revitalise the town with a number of initiatives, but they will be fruitless if this project goes ahead and ruins the tourist industry. There is so much more to Windsor than just the boat racing, with wonderful food and music venues to attract visitors from all over the state. Heritage tourism is supposedly one of the fastest growing sectors of the tourism industry and Windsor has a potential bonanza if it isn't ruined by this new bridge and associated damage.

There aren't many places with the historic features of Windsor and the government should not be wilfully destroying the little that remains.

Please accept this and do whatever it takes to stop the destruction.