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## **INQUIRY INTO WINDSOR BRIDGE REPLACEMENT PROJECT**

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I am opposed to this project because it doesn't meet the project objectives. It doesn't provide the objective of 1 in 5 flood immunity. It doesn't improve traffic efficiency, doesn't provide for a road speed of 60 km/h, doesn't minimise queue length/delays or improve the level of service performance of the road network in the long term.

It doesn't meet community needs by minimising the impact on recreational space within Thompson Square. It doesn't minimise impacts on heritage and the character of the local area, with regard to indigenous and early colonial heritage and the visual impact of the bridge and road approaches is significant. Salvage of heritage should only happen if there is a danger of damage, but intentional damage by a government department is more like vandalism than danger and should be stopped.

It is the cheapest option that was presented and although other options may have cost more they had less negative impacts and performed better in meeting the project objectives. It's well known the government announced the bridge location long before any options were presented for community consideration.

The community has shown they want an additional crossing by their voting at the last council and national elections. For nearly 5 years they have opposed this massive waste of money and I support them 100%.

Windsor really needs a bypass. It's the only sensible solution to the traffic and flooding issue and will enable the heritage of Thompson Square to be preserved.

Thank you for considering this submission.