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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 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 provide the objective of 1 in 5 flood immunity and makes the flooding impacts worse for hundreds of homes.

It doesn't meet community needs in minimising the impact on recreational space within Thompson Square and the Wharf reserve

It doesn't minimise impacts on heritage and the character of the local area, with regard to Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal heritage and the visual impact of the bridge and road approaches is detrimental to the heritage vistas. The archaeological work being done is destroying significant early colonial constructions dating back to 1815 and that value of that alone is far greater than any benefits that could be derived from a new bridge no matter where it was built.

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 RMS hired independent people to assess the project and even they said that the options were not properly addressed.

Windsor needs a bypass. Simple.