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Hi,

I have to say I believe the desire to knock down and replace the Olympic facilities seems incredibly wasteful and I don't agree with it.

I do understand that the design of the stadium as an Athletics venue initially means that it's not ideal as a football/rugby venue, but i think this is pretty much what i'd call a 'First World Problem', the money would be far better spent in other ways.

I'm certainly not opposed to the Olympic Park being developed but the focus i think should be on improved public transport links to and from the facility, and whilst car's shouldn't necessarily be discouraged i don't think they should be encouraged by providing further parking facilities at the expense of existing parkland and greenery. 'left over' money (after transport infrastructure) could be used to update/expand other public sporting and leisure facilities across the city/state to the benefit of the wider community.

From what I can see (and read in the news) the engagement of the local community has been pretty poorly managed and the impression is that it has been done behind closed doors between property developers and certain government departments and individuals.

On the whole I think this en-devour needs to be scrapped and completely rethought.