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I'd like to express my objection to the proposed demolosion and rebuild of the Moore park stadium that has been identified by the NSW government as one of their key infrastructure renewal projects.

This proposal is flawed and does not enjoy community support.

Whilst there are numerous reaons this project should not proceed, including that there is nothing wrong with the current stadium and that a refurbishment would enable years more use rather than an entire rebuild. Today I'd like to cite in particular the rushed planning process.

Infrastructure NSW has given a timeframe of 6 months to assess the project. This is an unusually fast determination for a project of this size and complexity. The Government appears to be fast tracking an approval so demolition of the current stadium can occur before the next election.

This is a breach of the function of a truly democratic and people focused government.

We disagree strongly with the proposal and strongly encouage the Upper House Members to reject the Governments plan and encourage an open discussion period to gauge wider public opinion in relation to any upgrade of the stadium.