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To Whom It May Concern

Please do not destroy the existing Sydney football (Allianz) stadium. It is elegant and the curves of the roof echo the curves of the old SCG buildings. It is visually more pleasing than proposed buildings where 'mass' dominates.

It is a disgrace that the SCG board as effectively allowed the Cox designed football stadium to fall into disrepair and not seen previously to adapting it to meet security standards. The current Trust board should be sacked and the trust integrated with other sports authorities.

Moore Park, like Centennial Park, needs to be at all times protected. We cannot lose green space. Use of the Moore Parklands for spectator parking should not be allowed. All parking should be taken off the grass and be restricted to the new facility and built underground. Massive building on what is essentially a park is inappropriate.

The geographical centre of Sydney is towards Olympic Park, not the eastern suburbs. If entertainment improvements are required this end of town, then please fix up the mess at the old Show-ground and Entertainment Quarter.

But a multi-complex entertainment precinct needs to be position where it is more accessible to wider Sydney, that is in the middle of the whole area - Parramatta - not on the eastern fringe.

Traffic around the existing sports facilities is very difficult particularly in Moore Park road, not only because of 'pedestrian spill' from the footpaths but because of its proximity to the Expressway.

Does state Government ever try to work out a relationship between roads and development? Expressways do not solve the problem: they create them. The Eastern Distributor is very congested at key sports times and the system as it is divides suburbs.eg try getting from Randwick to Surry Hills at these times.

The SCG board has in the last few years allowed large sports buildings to be constructed, one in Drivers Avenue and two on Moore Park Road. There was no consultation with the local community about them. How is it that the SCG is only answerable to the Minister? The Minister should be answerable to us, the community.