

Issues of concern to Saving Moore Park Inc.

Government policy is to encourage rising population density in urban areas. To the west of Moore Park this means an additional 50-60,000 people in high rise apartments over the next decade. Thus there is a crucial need to protect Moore Park from threats which will otherwise erode the area available to the community for active and passive recreation.

Centennial Park and Moore Park have 10 million visitors a year and yet they are self-funded. In contrast, the Government has committed \$729 million to redevelop the SFS. Greater investment is needed to provide meaningful access and the development of facilities in and around Moore Park which are aligned to the community's needs.

Issues of concern to us include:

Event parking on Moore Park East – The Centennial Park & Moore Park Trust and SCG & Sports Ground Trust both support the removal of car parking from Moore Park. Only when funds are allocated for alternative parking facilities will it be possible to remediate the areas concerned so they can be used by the community.

Access – Moore Park East is a jumble of fences and barriers discouraging the free flow of people across the park and access by pedestrians and cyclists using Anzac Parade.

Kippax Lake – Storm water run-off from nearby streets brings silt and pollutants, impairing water quality. Investment is needed in a modern filtration system.

Entrance to Moore Park East – The Master Plan proposed a significant new gateway at the northern entrance to Moore Park to mark its Sesquicentenary. We would like the Government to commit to funding this. A design competition should be held to ensure the best design. This would attract considerable public interest and reinforce the importance of Moore Park to the community.

Entertainment Quarter – We support plans to bring this back to life, so long as these are carefully integrated with developments in the neighbouring parklands, and particularly with measures to enhance access through Moore Park to and from the growth areas to the west.

Bandstand rotunda in Moore Park West – There is nothing to attract people to this end of the park such that the rotunda has become a meeting place for drug addicts. We would like to see it become a hub for community activity through the co-location of activities, such as cycle hire and a modern playground, which would attract people to the area.

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