INQUIRY INTO GOVERNMENT'S MANAGEMENT OF THE POWERHOUSE MUSEUM AND OTHER MUSEUMS AND CULTURAL PROJECTS IN NEW SOUTH WALES

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The Powerhouse Museum is a much-loved, state and national institution that plays an important role in the city of Sydney's cultural life. There are precious few world-class cultural institutions in Sydney compared to most global cities and we do not need another high-rise apartment block in the city that will only be affordable for the privileged few.

If the NSW government has \$1 billion to spare, build a cultural centre in Parramatta but preferably not on a flood plain or on the site of a heritage-listed building, or one that is popularly referred to as looking like "two inverted milk crates". Or maybe spend it on reviving bushfire-affected regions.

We have seen the removal of the disastrous, useless, ugly monorail - this is the NSW government's chance to reverse another ill-conceived project and regain some credibility in the eyes of voters.