

Submission  
No 38

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

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This is my submission to the Inquiry.

I support the following recommendations of the Portfolio Committee No 4 “Museums & Galleries in NSW - Final Report”, namely:

- 1) that the NSW Government should not proceed with the relocation of the Powerhouse Museum from Ultimo to Parramatta;
- 2) that it should establish a world-class cultural institution in Parramatta that reflects its own unique history;
- 3) that it should establish a Museum of Arts & Sciences satellite site at Parramatta;
- 4) that it should restore PHM at Ultimo by providing new funding for expansion and refurbishment.

Secondly, that the NSW Government should not demolish heritage buildings at Parramatta.

There is no reason why Sydney should not keep its own PHM, and it is important that its contents be retained in its current appropriate buildings; while Parramatta should have its own Museum that is relevant to its history and culture.

I would like to add my strong contention that the two disasters that we have recently experienced - bushfires and Covid-19 - along with the ever-present ones of drought and climate change, have emphasised the vital importance of science education to all. Therefore our institutions should reflect this need.

The NSW Government should be held to account in this matter.