INQUIRY INTO REVIEW OF THE HERITAGE ACT 1977

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I am writing to encourage the NSW Government to strengthen the protection of NSW's fast diminishing heritage sites. Too often we see valuable heritage sites wiped away by thoughtless development. The concept that the declaration of State Significant Developments can effectively negate the provisions of the Heritage Act deeply concerns me. The loss of extraordinary sites such as Thompson Square in Windsor and Willow Grove in Parramatta is deeply upsetting. Too often wealthy developers and government agencies just over ride the wishes and concerns of local people and the community of NSW more broadly. Anything that can be done to protect our vanishing historic sites would be greatly appreciated.