INQUIRY INTO GREATER SYDNEY PARKLANDS TRUST BILL 2021

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I have just driven around Parramatta Park to have lunch there. I noticed that a large portion of the Westmead perimeter is fenced off in preparation for some changes to do with the link. I am assuming that this is being done to provide parking for commuters of the light rail and the railways. The bus routes already available bring commuters to this area to catch trains. This is what my family does when they need to use the Railway to go to the City and other areas. I would have expected that the Light Rail is another way the people can get to this area of Westmead and Parramatta. This carpark is just going to cause more congestion to Westmead. I am stunned with disbelief that more of our Historic Heritage Listed Park is being sacrificed for Commercial interests. When will this acquisition of the PEOPLES recreational space stop? The population is growing and yet the green spaces are shrinking. This is unbelievably irresponsible. When will the environment and the needs of the people of Parramatta be as important as the Commercial Developments being proposed?

Historically my family has picniced on this area of the park when it has been very crowded. Now that possibility is eliminated.

It appears that Parramatta Park is a Developers dream, seen as vacant acquireable land. State and Local Government must also have this view.

I cannot express my utter disillusionment with NSW and my Local Council.

I am 73 years old and have resided in the Parramatta area for 70 years. I once believed that Local and State Governments priorities were to look after the needs of the constituents and they once listened to the voices of the people. I no longer feel this way. I do not trust the NSW Government to take care of our parklands.

Therefore I am requesting and supporting the abandonment of the draft legislation for the Greater Sydney Parklands Bill.

Yours sincerely Pamela Lange.

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