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**INQUIRY INTO GREATER SYDNEY PARKLANDS TRUST  
BILL 2021**

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The title of the “Greater Sydney Parklands Trust Bill 2021” might lead one to expect that the Government wishes to legislate for the maintenance and protection of the “green lungs” of Greater Sydney.

Nothing could be further from the truth.

Over-development is the scourge of this city and this bill is designed to hand over public parkland to corporations for their profit at the expense of the public interest.

With the population of Sydney increasing and more and more of its citizens living in medium and high density accommodation, the city needs to protect what open space and parkland is left, not open it up to privatisation.

This bill is opposed by the Inner West Council and many community groups and individuals.

It makes a travesty of the government’s duty to govern for the good of the general population, not for the profit of commercial entities and individuals.

Yours sincerely,

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