

Submission  
No 126

**INQUIRY INTO PROPOSAL TO DEVELOP ROSEHILL  
RACECOURSE**

**Name:** Name suppressed

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Partially  
Confidential

Dear Select Committee,

I'm writing to submit my views on the proposed development of Rosehill Racecourse in NSW, focusing on potential Thoroughbred welfare impacts as per Terms of Reference (g).

The Australian Turf Club (ATC) stands to gain up to \$10 billion from Rosehill's sale. This substantial sum could lead to expanded racing operations, potentially compromising the welfare of Thoroughbreds. Ideally, these funds should improve the well-being of NSW racehorses and address the industry's transparency issues regarding the fate of horses post-racing.

I conditionally support Rosehill Racecourse's sale and redevelopment, provided the proceeds don't further negatively impact Thoroughbreds.

I urge the NSW Government to impose conditions on the ATC's use of the potential \$10 billion income. This sale offers a chance for NSW racing to genuinely contribute to racehorse welfare, eliminating financial constraints as an excuse.

I propose the following uses for the sale proceeds to benefit Thoroughbred racehorses:

- Implement lifelong traceability for all NSW racing industry horses.
- Fund safe, lifelong retirement for every NSW racing industry horse.
- Improve racehorse welfare by adopting standards based on the 2020 Five Domains Model, with mandatory industry education.
- Establish a fund to assist racing industry members transitioning to careers outside racing.

Sincerely,