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**ATTENTION: DIRECTOR – KEY SITE ASSESSMENTS**

**PLANNING AND ASSESSMENT  
DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING, INDUSTRY AND ENVIRONMENT,  
GPO BOX 39,  
SYDNEY NSW 2001**

Dear Director,

**State Significant Development Application Number SSD-10300  
Coffs Harbour Cultural and Civic Space.**

I strongly object to this proposal for the following reasons:

1. More time needs to be spent on thoroughly investigating less costly and more sensible solutions before taking on a huge debt, the final extent of which is unknown.  
Blowouts in these projects are inevitable and you only have to look south to Port Macquarie to see a perfect example of this with the glasshouse. I and anyone I speak with believe the current project is unaffordable.
2. The need for an Arts and Cultural investment is not in question, but the planned project is one the community don't want and can't afford.
3. The proposed project has an area for Chamber Offices which has less space than the current Council Chambers building. This current building was originally designed for a 3<sup>rd</sup> level extension and if more space is necessary this should be investigated as a preferred option to expansion.
3. There have never been any Gov't grants given for the construction of Council Chambers and while the council are chasing these grants their chances of success are very slim.
4. Parking at the proposed site will be extremely difficult and other city parking availability is either too far away or already fully occupied.
5. The asset figures and visitation rates proposed for the project are quite unrealistic.

6. The City Hill land was originally purchased for the Arts and should be used for the development of facilities and parklands where the community and visitors can easily access, park and enjoy without the problems of the congestion and lack of parking in the city.

In the past two years I have not made any reportable political donations.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'M. Field', written over a horizontal dotted line.

MICHAEL FIELD