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Mr Marcus Jennejohn
Project Planner
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Dear Mr Jennejohn

**Re: The Powerhouse Museum (TPM)
Major Project 26576**

We object to this project. For the Environmental Impact Statement for the Powerhouse Parramatta (currently on display) has numerous, often fatal, flaws relative to supposed relocation

We have visited TPM Ultimo often – alone or together, with children and more recently, with all 6 of our grandchildren. Also, the Museums Discovery Centre facility at Castle Hill

You will be aware of the work and advocacy of ‘Save the Powerhouse’ (STP). Similarly, the negative opinions and published commentary of notables such as John Macdonald, Leo Schofield and Elizabeth Farrelly

We agree with STP and these opinion leaders. So we won’t regurgitate the numerous arguments against moving TPM here. Simply put, it has always been a bad idea. TPM and its displayed collection is world-class and must be retained in situ

To the Parramatta project with its woefully inadequate exhibition space – we advocate for the retention and maintenance of significant heritage in Willow Grove and the St George’s Terrace

To demolish these for what is essentially access to project is criminal, in our opinion. And others obviously, given Green Bans now imposed

We also object to building the proposed ‘event centre’ on old DJ’s car park land – flood plain, facilities, etc. The Parramatta group advocating for the project on part of the Cumberland Hospital lands, should be seriously heeded

Thank you for this opportunity to submit

Sincerely

Jocelyn Curteis

John Curteis

PS (4 July) This drafted yesterday. Given welcome news this morning, we hope stored collection items see the light of day during the 20s in both facilities – the Parramatta one relocated and redesigned please

