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Sara Roach - Glebe Island Expo

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Ms Sara Roach –

I attach a submission from Sydney Harbour Association, relating to the Glebe Island Expo arrangements.

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Glebe Island Expo arrangements

Sydney Harbour Association is an unincorporated body of individuals interested in Sydney Harbour, having as its primary Object:
"[T]he promotion of the following principles in relation to development and change affecting Sydney Harbour:
(a) protection and preservation of the natural heritage, assets and ecology of Sydney Harbour and its foreshores;
(b) primacy of the public good over private benefit in development;
(c) facilitation of public access to the waters and foreshores of Sydney Harbour;
(d) protection and enhancement of the visual and recreational amenity of the waterways and foreshores of Sydney Harbour".

Our Association has been fully advised of proceedings of the Bays Precinct Community Reference Group over time, by virtue of the fact that I participated in the Group as the nominee of the *Defenders of Sydney Harbour*.

We have now been provided with a submission directed to you, dated 7 December 2012, which has been endorsed by a range of Bays Precinct Office-holders. It relates specifically to Glebe Island Bridge aspects of the Glebe Island ***Expo*** project.

We share the concerns of the signatories, and specifically endorse their views in relation to the Glebe Island Bridge. It is a public asset far too valuable to be permitted to decay through neglect or through ignorance of its modern-day potential for facilitating communication. The imaginative utilisation of the Bridge in the present temporary context would obviously be a plus for the ***Expo*** concept. More to our purposes, however, is our view that the Bridge should be conserved and utilised as an on-going adjunct to the efficient movement of people about its immediate catchment.

The ***Expo*** project could – and we believe *should* - provide an impetus to what we consider should be an on-going program of rehabilitation and use.

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