

The Director
Major Planning Assessments
Department of Planning
GPO Box 39
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29 February 2016

Dear Director,

Submission: Australian Technology Park Redevelopment (SSD 15_7317)

I wish to make a submission on the Environmental Impact Statement provided by Mirvac for the redevelopment of Australian Technology Park. I am concerned about damage to the nationally significant heritage, the transport implications, poor public access, commercialisation of public space, and impact on local residents.

Australian Technology Park is a site of national and international significance.

The heritage significance of the Park extends well beyond its buildings and artefacts, to the sites immense social and cultural heritage which is also of national and international significance.

The EIS also ignores the significant social history of Aboriginal people who were employed in the workshops and involved in trade union activities on site.

The existing Conservation Management Plan must also be adhered to, and not watered down. Funding must be allocated to ensure its implementation.

An in situ archive of the history, including the oral and artefacts should also facilitate access for the public and historians. The still functioning blacksmiths shop should remain, and could form part of a heritage trades centre.

Yours sincerely,

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