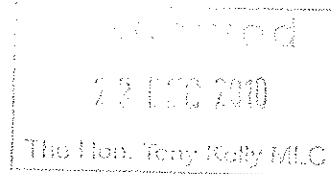


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Dear Minister,

I live in Paddington and have recently become aware of the plans of the Presbyterian Church to redevelop the Scottish Hospital site. I know that the site has been more or less derelict (apart from the nursing home) for many years and the last redevelopment proposals finally foundered. I do believe that there is a need for plans to be made for the future of this valuable location.

BUT

These plans are not it. Paddington has been marvellously protected over the years by the local DCP and it is (surely?) incumbent on any developer to take the parameters of that plan into account, even when the development is suddenly found to be large enough, and expensive enough, to be taken out of the hands of the Council and put into yours.

Nearly all the proposed buildings exceed Paddington's height controls, for a start. Dozens and dozens of trees are slated for removal. The building on Brown St. is not just a few feet higher but 14 metres higher than the existing nursing home, itself a large building, but nestled among trees and not too obtrusive. Total floor areas are up by 46% on the DA approved in 2002. There has been almost no community consultation. Minister, your intervention on behalf of our community is essential!

Yours sincerely,

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