

Sydneysiders shocked as Premier uses COVID-19 to bypass public consultation on the contested Powerhouse Museum Relocation

Yesterday Sydney siders found in their letterbox a postcard from the NSW Government telling them that due to COVID-19 there would be no public consultation regarding the hotly contested relocation of the Powerhouse Museum.

The Machiavellian distribution of the ikea-esque postcard sporting a simple sketch of the milk crate design is despicable but not a surprise, said Ms Meade. With the Premier just recently ignoring the community calls for the project; which plans to demolish Parramatta's much loved heritage to be halted, this is just another slap in the face.

NPRAG Spokesperson, Suzette Meade said " MAAS is forging ahead asking the community whilst in the middle of extreme uncertainty about their jobs, keeping their home and just staying alive during a worldwide pandemic – to scan a QR code or call them about a museum project, it is disgusting.

"Public meetings are an essential part of any development process. If the government cannot hold these due to a public health crisis, then they need to immediately suspend this until the public is able to meet. "

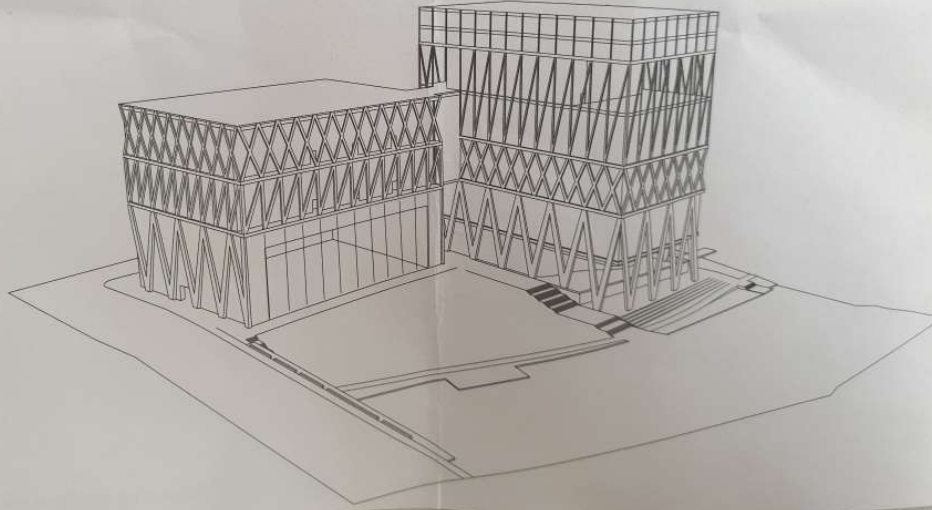
"The country is in a crisis. We are in lockdown! Does the Premier seriously expect the people of Sydney to discuss spending \$1.5 billion dollars to unnecessarily relocate a museum while people are losing their lives?"

"The Premiers decision to go ahead with the Powerhouse Museum project while the country is being confronted by a pandemic, is totally irresponsible, inappropriate and incredibly insensitive"

Suzette Meade – Spokesperson NPRAG

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The NSW Government is delivering the new Powerhouse in Parramatta. We are seeking your feedback during the design and planning of the new Powerhouse, to ensure the museum benefits you and enhances the local community.

Engaging with the local community is an integral part of the planning process, however given the current circumstances of COVID-19 we will not be holding public meetings. Your feedback is important so we have other ways for you to share your thoughts and talk to the project team:

- our online survey (scan the QR code)
- email powerhouse.parramatta@infrastructure.nsw.gov.au
- phone 1800 679 121



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