

Petition Calling for the Centennial Park and Moore Park Trust to retain control of Moore Park

To the Honourable Speaker and Members of the Legislative Assembly of New South Wales in Parliament assembled. This Petition of the people of New South Wales brings to the attention of the House:

Moore Park was part of Governor Macquarie's original 400-hectare 1811 Sydney Common bequest to set aside public open land for the people of Sydney and for future generations.

Centennial and Moore parks provide vital, green open spaces to residents in densely populated surrounding suburbs for passive and active recreation.

The parklands are iconic and historic and should be protected and increased for all Sydney residents, now and into the future.

Yet the NSW Government is considering transferring Moore Park from the Centennial Park and Moore Park Trust to the Sydney Cricket and Sports Ground Trust.

The Sydney Cricket and Sports Ground Trust objective is not to provide open and accessible green space for passive recreation, but to promote major commercial sporting events, provide fee-paying car parking on the parklands, serve their private members and provide for professional sporting team training.

The dwindling Centennial Park and Moore Park Trust budget of seven per cent forces the trust to rely on car-parking and events revenue to maintain the parklands.

The undersigned petitioners therefore ask the NSW Government to stop any transfer of land from the Centennial Park and Moore Park Trust to the Sydney Cricket and Sports Ground Trust; increase funding to the Trust to protect the parklands; and ensure comprehensive public consultation on any future proposals that affect public access to the parklands.

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