

Dear Resident

Moore Park is under imminent threat and I urge you to object to Government proposals to transfer Moore Park from the control of the Centennial Park and Moore Park Trust (CPMPT) to the Sydney Cricket and Sports Ground Trust (SCG).

Centennial and Moore parks are important for our exercise and recreation and serve as a vital green lung for the increasingly densely populated inner Sydney.

A leaked letter to the Premier from the Chair of the CPMPT reveals that the State Government is considering transferring Moore Park to the SCG. The Premier has confirmed that Cabinet is considering such a proposal.

My Centennial Park and Moore Park Trust (Macquarie Sydney Common) legislation guarantees public ownership of the former showground site by transferring control to the CPMPT and I have fought many battles to save the parklands from the tawdry McDonalds proposal to the slicing off part of Moore Park for the Eastern Distributor.

I fear that under the SCG, Moore Park will be subject to increasing commercialisation and alienation for buildings, and car parking will be expanded further onto parklands.

In 2006 the State Government rezoned an area of Moore Park on request from the SCG from public land for commercial purposes. Now the SCG has announced plans to build a new \$17.4 million home for Rugby League's governing bodies.

Public land is being changed by the State into club land!

This proposal to Cabinet has been done secretly. There has been no consultation with us, whose land it is. There has been no consultation with the CPMPT which is the body set up to administer the land on our behalf. The Council has not been informed, nor have I as the responsible State Member. The City of Sydney has unanimously condemned this transfer.

It wasn't that long ago that most of Moore Park was regularly alienated by a sea of cars from spectator car parking. I battled with the support of surrounding communities over many years to reclaim our park for recreation.

Now the threat is back!

You must help reject club land and help defend our precious public asset for now and for future generations.

What an insult to Governor Macquarie's legacy

Governor Macquarie gifted the Centennial and Moore parklands to the people of NSW in 1811 as the Sydney Common for the benefit of the people of Sydney and for future generations. It started as a 405-hectare bequest but today only one third of the original area remains as open public land.

It is disgraceful that this proposal is being made while we are celebrating the bicentenary of Governor Macquarie's outstanding contribution to Sydney and the State.

I have made a statement in Parliament (see www.parliament.nsw.gov.au/Prod/parlment/hansart.nsf/V3Key/LA20100603045) and met with the Premier.

Please write to the Premier!

Demand that the State Government protects and maintains Moore Park as public parklands under the control of the Centennial Park & Moore Park Trust.

Yours sincerely More.

Clover Moore MP Member for Sydney

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