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The Hon Paul Scully MP
Minister for Planning and Public Spaces

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Dear Minister

Sydney Football Stadium SSD 9835 – Mod 10

I write to request that you protect Busby's Bore in the development of the Precinct Village and Carpark.

Busby's Bore was Australia's first major engineering feat. The bore was built between 1827 and 1837 using convict labour and stretches 3.6 kilometres in length and 1.2 to 1.5 metres in width. The bore delivered fresh water to the city at a time when pumps were not available, using gravity alone. It was Sydney's sole source of water until 1859. The bore is a state significant heritage item that must be protected.

Modifications to the Sydney Football Stadium major project permitted development of the Precinct Village and Carpark but a new modification is being considered that would reconfigure the carpark, resulting in the demolition and relocation of parts of the bore.

Documents provided by the applicant fail to properly assess the impact on the bore's heritage values or provide information on what alternative proposals were considered. Busby's Bore is a rare piece of early colonial heritage and the carpark development needs to find a solution to deliver the project that protects the bore's shafts and tunnel in entirety.

Could you please protect Busby's Bore and inform me what action you will take?

Yours sincerely



Alex Greenwich
Member for Sydney

