

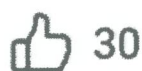
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# OLYMPIC GAMES VENUE PLAN COMMUNITY MEETING

Wednesday  
September 10, 6PM  
Ballymore Theatrette  
(91 Clyde Rd, Herston)

**GRACE GRACE MP**  
**MEMBER FOR MCCONNEL**



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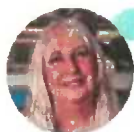
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**John Allan**

I hear crickets

Reply



**Marit Hægge**

Thanks for convening the meeting Grace. It was very informative. And clearly showed us still room for the community to fight the destruction of Victoria Park.

Reply





**Grace Grace MP** ✓

5 Sept · 🌐



## REMINDER:

Come to my community meeting next Wednesday night at 6pm to share your thoughts and concerns.

The recently-announced Venues Plan for the Games proposes big changes to our communities around Victoria Park.

These decisions will shape our neighbourhood for years to come and it's so important that locals are part of the conversation.

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## Email Response from Grace Grace (Member for McConnel)

Below is an email response from the Member for McConnel, Grace Grace. The email below is responding to a local resident who had written to Grace Grace to expressing concern about the proposed stadium in Victoria Park / Barrambin.

Dear [Redacted for Privacy],

Thank you for your email. Victoria Park / Barrambin is one of Brisbane's treasures and is a culturally significant place for local indigenous people. It was only in 2021 that the golf course was closed and the majority of the 45 hectares returned to the public for use as a community park and open green space.

As a life-long local who grew up in Spring Hill, I know the value of Victoria Park / Barrambin. That is why I oppose the plan to build a mega stadium development on the park site. At the last election I campaigned on this issue, alerting locals to the LNP's then-secret plan to build a stadium in the park. And, as the Minister responsible for the Olympics in the former Labor Government, I ruled out Victoria Park as a site for an Olympic stadium.

Premier David Crisafulli said no fewer than 10 times before the election that the LNP would not build a new stadium. The government has now commenced another 100-day review of venues being undertaken by a handpicked board. Unfortunately, the terms of reference for this review includes an option for a new stadium. This is a broken promise.

I am particularly concerned given that LNP Lord Mayor Schrinner and Cr Vicki Howard, who proposed plans for a redevelopment of the park as community space before the last council election, are now supporting the proposal for a stadium in the park.

The government has only given stakeholders and the public until **Friday 10 January 2025** to make a submission on possible venues. Submissions can be made online using the following link: [www.gamesreview.com.au](http://www.gamesreview.com.au).

**I will make a submission opposing Victoria Park / Barrambin as the venue for an Olympic mega-stadium, and I strongly encourage you to also make a submission so that our community's views are heard loudly and clearly.**

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*Even setting aside my concerns about the loss of this vital community asset and green space, I believe that a plan to build a stadium on this site is impractical and would be incredibly expensive.*

*As locals would be aware, the topography of the park means that construction of a stadium and the necessary warm-up track would involve extensive and expensive earth-moving work to level out the site.*

*The site also presents challenges, with concept art published in the Courier Mail showing stadiums built over the Inner City Bypass and the Exhibition Rail Corridor.*

*The cost of any stadium built over the corridors would be dramatically increased due to the need to secure appropriate indemnities, insurances and securities to Queensland Rail, the Department of Transport and Main Roads, and to Brisbane City Council. Any plans for a stadium would also vastly exceed the \$7.1 billion funding envelope agreed for all 2032 Games venues.*

*I also encourage you to connect with the Save Victoria Park Facebook Group, which can be found here: <https://www.facebook.com/savevictoriaparkbarrambin>. This is a committed group of locals who are fighting to preserve the green space in Victoria Park. I was pleased to recently join the group to protest the possible loss of community green space for a stadium.*

*Victoria Park / Barrambin is Brisbane's Central Park. It is an incredible asset to our inner-city community and I will fight with you to preserve and enhance it.*

*Sincerely,*

**Grace Grace MP**

*Member for McConnel*

*Shadow Minister for Trade*

*Shadow Minister for Olympic and Paralympic Games*

*Shadow Minister for Industrial Relations*

*Shadow Minister for Racing*

**Campaign #1: No Stadium • Olympics 100-Day Review**

⟨ **Email Response from  
Stephen Bates (MP for  
Brisbane)**

**Victoria Park /  
Barrambin Indigenous  
Sites & Indigenous  
History** ⟩

9:45



Grace Grace MP

9 May



[savevictoriapark.com](http://savevictoriapark.com)

## Submission to Parliament - Say NO to Scrapping 15 State Laws — Save Victoria Park

The Queensland Government is proposing to override 15 state laws to fast-track stadiums and other Olympic venue projects — including Victoria Park/Barrambin.

This would allow major developments to bypass important planning, environmental, and heritage protections that safeguard our communities and public spaces.

This isn't just about one park — it's about setting a precedent that could affect projects across the entire state.

Submissions to Parliament are now open.



Most relevant

300 protesters have spelled out where they stand in the Victoria Park stadium debate. On the ground, long-time political rivals Grace Grace and Campbell Newman joined forces to save the park. Newman, a former premier, even threatened legal action against the IOC. [#7NEWS](#)



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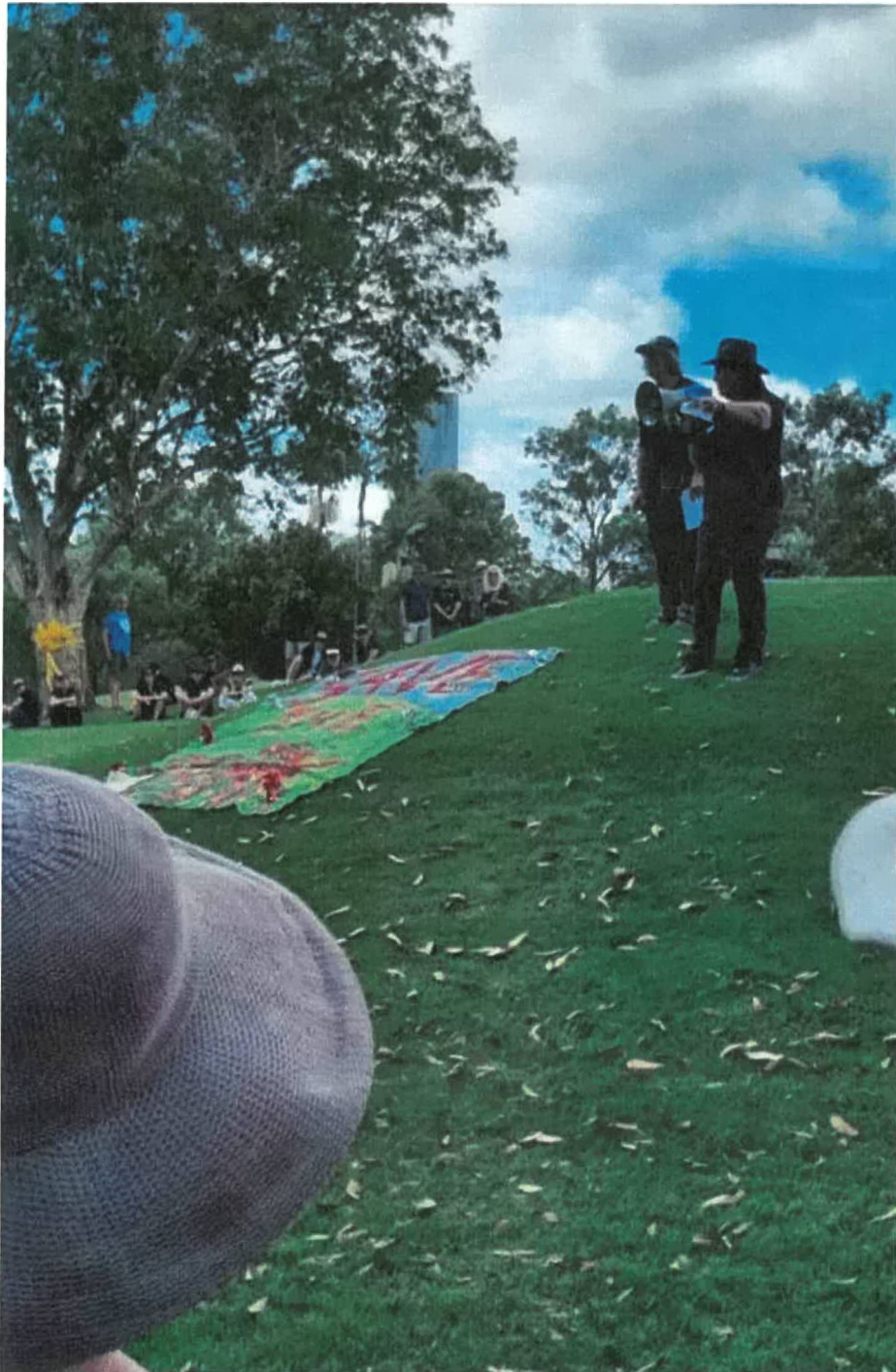


Grace Grace MP  is at Victoria Park, Brisbane. ...

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I was so pleased to speak at the Save Victoria Park protest this morning opposing a possible Olympic stadium development in Victoria Park / Barrambin. There was a great turnout from the community. Thanks to the organisers of this morning's event.



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Grace Grace MP

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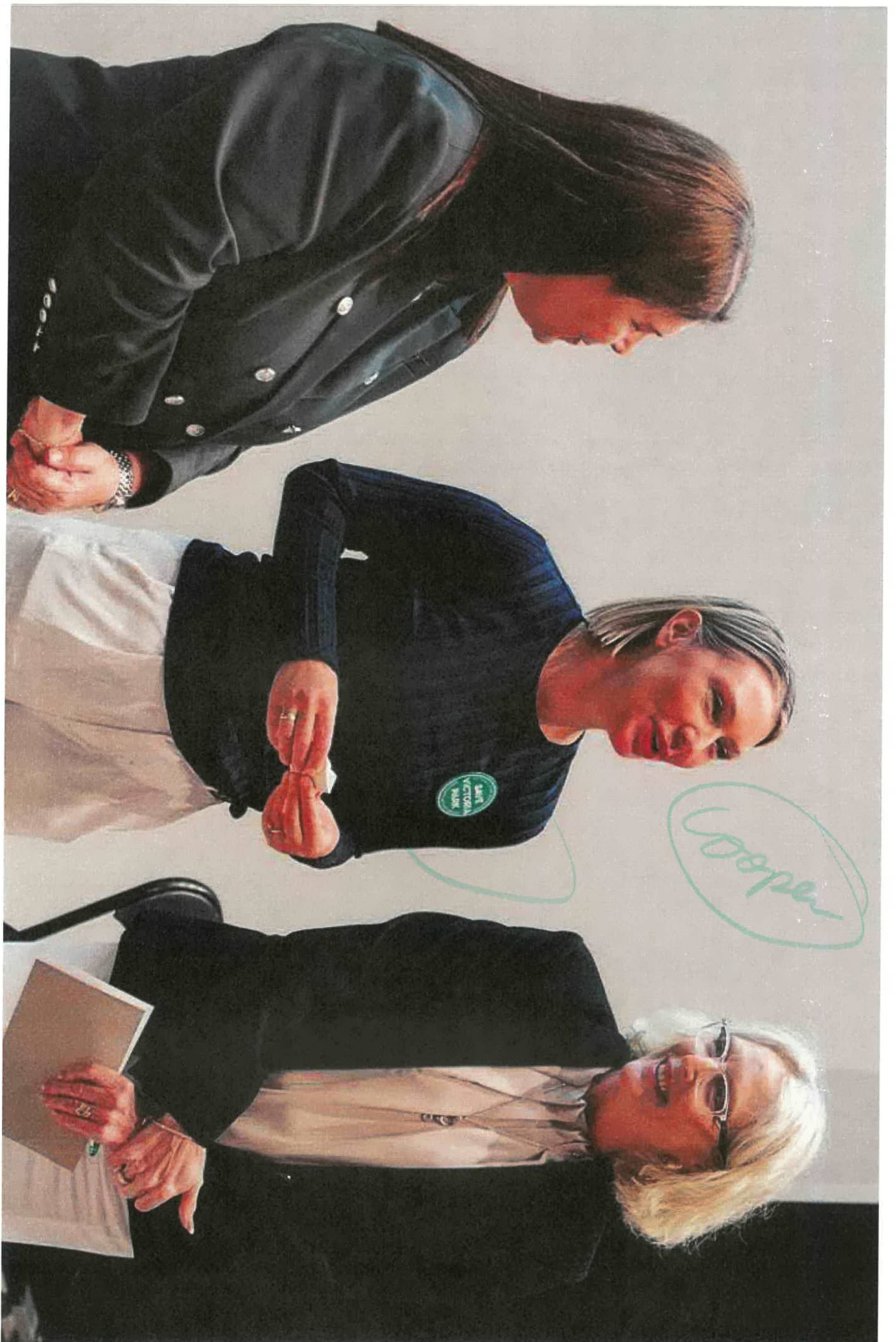
On Sunday morning I joined Save Victoria Park to protest plans to locate an Olympic stadium in Victoria Park.

Victoria Park / Barrambin is Brisbane's Central Park and is a culturally significant place for local indigenous people. It provides a large amount of inner-city greenspace in a city which has less of it than any other Australian city.

I know this is an important issue for our community, so if you would like to make a submission on this issue, please click this link: <http://www.gamesreview.com.au> . You have until Friday 10 January to do so.











Grace Grace MP ✓

12 September at 09:36 · 🌐



Our community came together Wednesday night to talk about the 2032 Olympic and Paralympic Games, in particular the massive infrastructure investment ahead for the communities around Victoria Park and the RNA. It was inspiring to see so many passionate locals turn out - because above all, we need to make sure we are consulted going forward – and that our voices are heard. The LNP has a track record of only listening to select community voices and breaking promises and we need to hold them to account.





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