

## Planning (Social Impact and Community Benefit) and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2025

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If Queensland's history has taught us anything, it's that shortsighted decisions prioritising development over heritage are never viewed favourably in the record books. The laws that parliament are seeking to change were flouted before by the Bjelke-Peterson government and made us a laughing stock nationally. Globally, leading world cities maintain cultural and environmental assets, recognising that's what makes them vibrant and desirable destinations. Changing these laws sets a dangerous precedent for future destruction of cultural and environmental assets, and takes us back to a time now widely considered to be a poorly misjudged era of politicians choosing vanity and legacy projects over what was best for the city and its residents. The Victoria Park stadium plan isn't worth the removal or amendment of these laws. It's removing one of the very few inner city recreational areas in Brisbane, destroying the inner city's largest dog off leash park, ignoring the park's heritage listing and active wildlife, and destroying an important Aboriginal site. It's also right on top of the states busiest hospital in an area that already struggles to manage traffic flow, and will likely cause changes to the flood map so that Kelvin Grove is impacted. And given the sheer volume of land that needs clearing to make the site flat enough for a significant build, the publicly announced costings can't possibly be accurate. Assets like Victoria Park are proven to be vital for healthy communities. With such a sprawling city and terrible road infrastructure, it is impossible for people who live in the CBD to get to other green spaces before or after work for exercise and relaxation. Not to mention this billion dollar project is being prioritised over housing, health and social welfare funding.