Petition against ~$1 billion Allianz Stadium redevelopment

To the Honourable Speaker and Members of the Legislative Assembly in NSW: this petition of the people of New South Wales brings to the attention of the House:

The NSW Government wants to spend almost **$1 billion** of taxpayers' money to knock down and rebuild Allianz Stadium in Sydney's east – at the behest of big business sport and the powerful SCG Trust.

Despite an online petition of more than 160,000 signatures, **no business case has been released**. Infrastructure NSW – the body set up by the Government to provide independent advice – says there will be **no economic benefit to the State**.

While Allianz Stadium is a sea of empty seats on game days, our public transport system is stretched, children are being taught in demountable classrooms and the elective surgery waiting list is growing. Sport NSW reports "a gaping hole" in grassroots community sport investment and facilities.

Just 18 months ago, former NSW Premier Mike Baird said Allianz Stadium could be **upgraded** to meet modern safety and accessibility standards, **at less than a quarter of the price tag**.

We, the undersigned petitioners, urge the government to listen to the community, and upgrade rather than rebuild Allianz Stadium and direct savings into much needed health, education and community sport facilities across NSW.

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