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Hello,

My name is Ailish and I'm a 24 year old woman who's lived in Tasmania her entire life. I have seen the ups and downs of this state and I have to say the proposal of the new stadium is a new low.

With health systems failing, homeless people on the streets, domestic violence rates increasing and education systems suffering, why should MY tax money be put towards something that doesn't give back to the community?

We have a stadium already that we can't even fill for an AFL match. If tourism is the big drawcard here, I think you're sadly mistaken. It's only going to take one match for people to say 'never again' when they're stuck in bumper to bumper traffic with little to no public transport as Metro Tasmania clearly cannot provide proper support at this stage for patrons. Parking is limited, our roads don't have the structural integrity or design to hold the amounts of people you see coming - but they won't, so I suppose that's okay...

Supporting sport is something I'm passionate about, but building a stadium that's costing people millions of dollars just isn't on. I'm sure if any of your family were sick, needed extra educational support, needed a home to live in or was suffering abuse at the hands of a partner, you would hope the government would do something about it, wouldn't you? Put yourselves in our shoes for a change.

So surely spending this much money on a stadium is sending the wrong message. By all means, have an AFL team. But stand up to the powers that be and tell them we don't need a new stadium. We have one. This is the complete wrong message to send to the public and I look forward to the day The Greens or Labor come into power and relieve us all of this horrendous mistake you're about to make.

Thank you.
Ailish