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To whom it may concern,

I just do not understand why, why, why anything like this would even be considered.

We have treasures in this country and Eel Pie Island is one of them.

How would it even have come to this? That anyone has to tell anyone else that it should be protected?

Surely your job as a council is to do that? To protect the local area and all the amazing things it might have accumulated over the years - culture and heritage being one of them.

I strongly object for the following reasons.

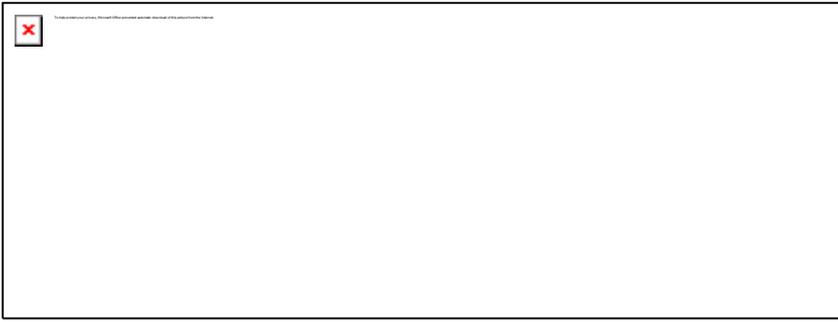
1. I work on the island and can not afford as a small business for my rates to increase.
2. My insurance will go up due to the risk of flooding.
3. The island is treasured due to its unique residents such as artists studios and boat builders - how can this now be under threat?
4. People who want to buy on the island, how on earth will they get mortgages etc - the residents keep the island alive.
5. And to my earlier point, the memories of this historically important island will disappear - under sewage water no less.

It's a disgrace, just a disgrace, that we even have to point these things out.

I will be going to the press with this.

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