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I write in support of the Ballymore redevelopment on the grounds that it will be a fantastic piece of Brisbane infrastructure which has a range of benefits for the wider community. Ballymore is the last iconic stadium in Brisbane and is world renowned for the epic rugby battles which have taken place there. Ballymore now has the opportunity to become the template for future planned sporting precincts in Australia.

Apart from the obvious sporting benefits, a redeveloped Ballymore will actively promote 'healthy living' for the community through its;

- Pool;
- Gymnasium;
- sports medical centre;
- bike and walking tracks; and
- three sporting fields.

All of these facilities will be surrounded by a nature belt of 'green space'. As childhood obesity and diabetes continue to increase in Australia at an alarming rate projects such as the Ballymore redevelopment become essential in providing the community with the tools to lose weight, become active and get healthy.

In these tough economic times it is very important that our political leaders recognise the need for projects which stimulate the economy and create jobs. The Ballymore redevelopment is one such project which will lead to significant;

- local expenditure (\$86.7m direct + \$90.8m multiplier); and
- Job creation (369 construction + 592 upon completion (direct and indirect).

The overwhelming economic need combined with the community health and sporting benefits combine to make the Ballymore redevelopment a 'must' for the city of Brisbane.

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