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Dear Commissioners,

Ravensthorpe Estate sits on one of the earliest sites of colonial settlement and frontier conflict in the Hunter and astonishingly, its homestead and surrounds remain largely intact.

Heritage agencies say Ravensthorpe homestead and the surrounding area:

- has the strongest documentary evidence of any conflict site across the Hunter Valley, including the event known as the Ravensthorpe massacre.
- tells the story of shared Aboriginal and European heritage
- is rare and exceptionally intact.

Its rarity and importance has been compared to the World Heritage convict sites in Tasmania, and the significance of the massacre site has been compared to world war battlefields in Europe.

Glencore wants to pick up and move the Ravensthorpe Homestead and mine the estate. The Chair of the Heritage Council has compared moving Ravensthorpe in such a manner, to trucking Old Parliament House to Queanbeyan.

As Heritage NSW said in the meeting with the IPC, removing the building and mining the landscape 'diminishes' an "*opportunity for truth-telling and it diminishes the opportunity for us to come together as Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal people that live in this country*".

They say "*if we keep dismantling these cultural landscapes we won't have the opportunity to share ... stories*" that need to be shared.

Please ensure the Ravensthorpe Estate remains intact.

Yours sincerely,

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