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To: The Commissioners

Re: Ravensworth House and surrounds

So many Australians are now interested in the real history of this country, and not just the sanitized version of the last 234 years, that we have been fed.

The history of Ravensworth House gives us an insight into the grants that were obtained, the first contact with the original owners of the land, and the interaction between these people.

The rarity of written evidence of colonialist expansion makes Ravensworth House particularly important since there is documentation of land allocation, first contact and the massacres.

If Ravensworth House is moved it becomes just another museum piece. The scarcity of preserved historical locations in Australia that give not only a sense of past but a sense of place, is good reason to keep Ravensworth House at its original location. Combined with the oral history and cultural heritage of the first nations people this creates an imperative for Ravensworth House and its surrounds to be protected and the Glendell

expansion to be denied.

As a descendent of a farmer who took up a selection on the north coast of NSW where there is little documentation and recordings of first contact with indigenous people, (although there is local folklore of murders/massacre), and certainly no conserved or protected sites, I urge you to protect this important site for prosperity.

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