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I am writing this submission in relation to the Proposed Melbourne Immigration Transit Accommodation Project, Broadmeadows, Victoria.

I am a life time resident of Broadmeadows Victoria, and I wish to voice my concern over the concept of having high and extreme risk convicted criminals residing in Broadmeadows Victoria.

Broadmeadows is a highly populated residential zone, with a population that is set to continue to increase exponentially.

It is not a good idea to place a detention centre for extreme to high risk

### **It is unlikely to help the community**

The so called “investment” won’t actually help the current community, although there will be jobs in its construction the jobs are likely to be sourced through large contractors due to the nature of the facility and there are no mandates to ensure local suppliers/workers get picked first.

It is the same with employees at the facility, to get a job working there you must apply through the department of border protection, which is a lengthy process and does not mean the applicants will be working in that facility.

### **Community sentiment**

The overall community feeling is that we do not want a detention centre filled with very bad individuals literally in our back yard. It is an affront to the honest hard working people of Broadmeadows to have a dumping yard put in their city.

### **Inappropriate location**

Broadmeadows is not some remote farm town, nor is it a secure location it is 35 mins from the CBD and 15 Mins from the Airport, it has many busses and metro and regional trains, it would possibly be one of the worst places for a break out of international criminals.

this land could be best used for several other purposes due to its location and not a detention centre which will likely lock up the land for a number of years.

As I said before it is also a highly populated residential zone which poses a danger to its many residents.

Sincerely

Phillip Di Biase