



URGENT PROTEST Monday 20 May at 7am

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The process of demolishing Shed 26 has now commenced. However this is not a done deal. Join Save Shed 26, community members and the union movement on the site, **Monday at 7am**. This protest will potentially take place throughout the day and beyond.

Save Shed 26 spokesperson Emma Webb said "Cedar Woods and The Old Red Brick Company are proceeding with the demolition despite huge opposition and safety concerns. From Monday the community and unions will be on the site working to stop the unsafe, unnecessary and disgraceful demolition of this state heritage and Port Adelaide icon. At this point we certainly can't rule out taking non-violent direct action on the site."

Save Shed 26 condemn:

- The unnecessary, shoddy, unsafe demolition of Shed 26 which has been found to be state heritage;
- The State Government trashing its own heritage process by tossing Shed 26 off the State Heritage Register;
- The planning process that has conned the community and seen developer Cedar Woods handed Shed 26 for \$2;
- The unsafe work site being operated by Cedar Woods' demolition contractor The Red Brick Co.;
- The poor communication and information provided to the nearby primary school, kindergarten and residents.

Cedar Woods and the South Australian Government need to immediately halt demolition of Shed 26 in order to explore all options for the retention and adaptive reuse of Shed 26; and demolition should not be undertaken during the school term.

Parents at Le Fevre Primary School have expressed concern at the lack of information they have been provided with and the safety breaches that have been reported around the Shed 26 site. Save Shed 26 believe a number of parents have pulled their kids out of school because they are so worried for their children's health.

The school's Governing Council have written to Port Adelaide MP Susan Close (letter attached) and a group of parents called Concerned Parents for Shed 26 have commenced on online petition here: <https://www.change.org/p/steven->

[marshall-mp-scott-morrison-pm-stop-demolition-of-asbestos-in-shed-26-in-school-term?](#)

Meanwhile police have continued to make safety inspections by union representatives of the CFMEU and the CEPU difficult.

Unions, school representatives and Save Shed 26 have also written to the Department of Planning, Transport and Infrastructure seeking action on road safety concerns with vehicles regularly mounting the footpath/bike path without traffic and pedestrian marshalling (letter attached).

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