

# Rumoured Plans for The South Fremantle Power Station - Coogee Life

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With its imposing walls, derelict halls and surrounding overgrowth, you could mistake the South Fremantle Power Station as the expensive backdrop to a dystopian movie.

Since its decommission in 1985, the iconic building has spent over 30 years crumbling on the border between North Coogee and South Fremantle: the last relic of Coogee's transformation from industrial hive to luxury coastal living.

Musings of what to do with the heritage listed site have divided opinion for years. But one thing's for sure: everyone has something to say.

Cockburn mayor, Logan Howlett, recently claimed '[the possibilities are endless](#)'; a sentiment which has been echoed over the years with the variety of rumours and speculation about potential redevelopment.

As we all love a bit of speculation, let's expand on some of these rumours!

## A budding arts centre

With its graffiti-laden walls and spacious interiors, the South Fremantle Power Station would lend itself well as a creative institution.

The building is no stranger to the arts and over the years has played host to a number of music videos and indie movies. It's also one of the most photographed buildings in Western Australia, clearly a very inspiring place for many!

## Residential space

Back in 2014, the building and surrounding area was flagged for residential development by property developer Landcorp.

Landcorp's ambitious plans were to fully reconstruct and restore the South Fremantle Power Station. The site would then house 900 homes along with galleries, restaurants, bars and retail space.

The proposal has an essence of grandeur that fits a building of such iconic standing.

London's [Battersea Power Station](#) would provide good inspiration for a project like this. Also a listed building, the former coal-fired power station and its surrounding area is being transformed into a brand new neighbourhood right on the Thames River. Complete with new homes, bars, restaurants, offices and shops, the project promises a hive of activity in South London and further investment for the future.