

Patriotic posturing

FIRST Gallipoli, now Kokoda. Politicians of every persuasion seem to be leaping over each other to protect iconic Australian places from inappropriate development — as long as those iconic places are overseas.

Closer to home, it's another story, with a proposed natural gas plant set to further damage and destroy the stunning rock art on the Burrup Peninsula. The West Australian Government has given the proposal its full support and the Commonwealth looks unlikely to intervene. Yet again Australia's black history is ignored while our leaders engage in patriotic posturing.

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