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**GENERAL MEETING**  
**8.00pm TUESDAY, 29th OCTOBER 1996**  
**PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH HALL**  
**MARY STREET, BEECROFT**

**ADDRESS BY SYDNEY WATER**

Our guest speaker at the General Meeting on Tuesday, 29th October will be a representative from Sydney Water, Northern Region. The talk will give us a broad overview of Sydney Water, its role and responsibilities, as well as covering issues such as the Corporatisation of the Water Board, under the model established by the State Owned Corporations Act 1989, Pricing and looking at some of those local issues that intrigue us from time to time - what was Sydney Water working on for so long in Beecroft Road?

**PEDESTRIAN OVERBRIDGES**

An advertising agency, 'Boyd Outdoor' has approached Beecroft Primary School and Cheltenham Girls' High School with proposals to erect pedestrian footbridges over Beecroft Road. The bridges would display advertising material for a period of 10 years.

Beecroft Primary School has requested Boyd Outdoor to proceed. Boyd Outdoor will seek development approval from Hornsby Shire Council and agreement from the R.T.A. The views of Beecroft / Cheltenham residents will also be taken into account.

The Trust Committee has had discussions with representatives of both schools. After careful consideration the Committee recommends the adoption of the following Trust Policy:-

"The Trust would be supportive of proposals to provide pedestrian overbridges if

(a) There was a proven need for such structures.

(b) There would be no advertising on the structure.

(c) The bridge designs were environmentally sensitive and compatible with the proposed location.

Interested residents are encouraged to come along on Tuesday 29th and have their say on the proposal.

Photographs of other bridges constructed under this scheme are on display in the window of 12 Hannah Street, Beecroft.

One may only guess as to why the installation of the Copeland Road lights has been repeatedly delayed.

Perhaps it was the widening of Copeland Road (now dropped), the Traffic Plan for Beecroft Centre (where is that now?) or the proposal for a new fire station.

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### BEECROFT ESTATE AGENTS HAPPY TO HELP PRESERVE OUR PAST

Following a suggestion from the last General Meeting, the Beecroft Cheltenham Civic Trust has arranged with the full support of our local real estate agents, Raine and Horne, L. J. Hooker, Century 21 and Beecroft Real Estate, the regular collection of no longer needed photographs of houses in the Beecroft Cheltenham area.

These photographs are to be placed in the Hornsby Shire Library Archives to become a valuable record of houses, their exterior and interior treatments, from a range of periods. The wide variety of architecture, usually hidden behind well established gardens, is what makes Beecroft and Cheltenham a uniquely pleasant place in which to live.

We are grateful to our estate agents and the staff of the Hornsby Shire Library Archives for their enthusiastic support of this project.

### ERECTION OF TELECOM TOWER

Many residents are horrified at the prospect of living near a telecommunication tower proposed to be constructed on golf course land, and within 30 metres of homes in Burns Road South. Residents who are able to assist with planned protests are invited to contact Graeme Stewart on 'phone 9484 2694

### THANK YOU

Each time you receive a bulletin a small army of volunteers line up to letterbox drop to over 3 500 properties in the Beecroft Cheltenham area. All too often we take this group for granted, without thinking about what goes on behind the scenes. We can help them by making sure that overhanging branches on our properties do not impede their progress. The Committee would like to take this opportunity to thank all the volunteers, particularly as last month they were called into extra service to deliver programs for the Beecroft Festival. Thank you to all concerned.

### COMMUNITY NOTICE BOARD

The Beecroft Cheltenham Civic Trust notice board in the Beecroft Arcade is available for use by the community, however of late a number of unauthorised notices seem to be appearing. Those making use of this facility are reminded that the portion below the line only is for community use, above the line is only for notices authorised by the Beecroft Cheltenham Civic Trust.

### MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL NOTICE

Members who are unfinancial are requested to forward their 1996 subscriptions to:-  
The Treasurer, P.O. Box 31 BEECROFT 2119 Family \$12.00, Single \$6.00

**President**

Betty Grant Phone 9876 3521

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Vic Batten Phone 9484 6714

# The Proposed Mobile Phone Tower at Pennant Hills Golf Club

Pennant Hills Golf Club and Telecommunications carriers Telstra and Vodaphone have done a deal and propose to construct a 35m high mobile phone telecommunications tower with 15 antennae on Golf Club land within 30 metres of residential dwellings in Burns Road South, Beecroft; an area highly populated with children.

Resident objection does not lie with the construction of the Tower itself, merely its location.

At a meeting at Hornsby Shire Council on 18th September, 1996 the proposal to construct the mobile phone telecommunications tower was **UNANIMOUSLY** rejected on the grounds that the proposed tower is in close proximity to residential dwellings; whilst there is sufficient area available within the 39Ha site to relocate the proposed tower away from residential dwellings.

Last week Sutherland Shire Council announced that they had adopted local guidelines for construction of such towers because of health fears and do not allow construction under 300 metres from any residential dwelling.

Beecroft residents are concerned about the visual impact the proposed tower will have on the community and the fact that two mature trees were removed from the street alignment in Burns Road South when the site was being cleared.

In view of these concerns and the mounting evidence that these towers pose potentially serious effects to health, your support is needed help change the location of this proposed tower. Please phone each of the people listed below and express your concerns over the proposed development :-

- SENATOR RICHARD ALSTON'S OFFICE  
(Minister for Communication & Arts) Ph. 06 277 7480
- PENNANT HILLS GOLF CLUB  
Mr. Richard Greville, Secretary Ph. 9484 1358
- PHILIP RUDDOCK, MP,  
Member for Berowra Ph. 9482 7111
- TELSTRA  
Trevor Sutton Ph. 9396 1037
- VODAPHONE  
James McRoberts Ph. 9415 7010

A Public Forum is currently being organised. Notices with details will be posted throughout the community.

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