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# GENERAL MEETING TUESDAY, 12TH JULY 1994 ST JOHN'S CHURCH HALL BEECROFT ROAD, BEECROFT 8:00 p.m.

The Beecroft-Cheltenham Civic Trust will hold a General Meeting at the St. Johns Church Hall Corner Chapman Street & Beecroft Road, at 8:00 p.m. on Tuesday, 22nd March 1994.

### TOPICS FOR DISCUSSION:

## "TRAFFIC MATTERS; BEYOND THE TOLLWAY"

· Beecroft Road carries heavy traffic at all hours of the day and night.

 Pennant Hills Road carries even heavier volumes of traffic, including hundreds of interstate semi-trailers travelling from points north, such as Newcastle or Brisbane, to points south such as Canberra or Melbourne.

 Single-lane suburban streets such as Copeland Road are choked with through traffic from outside the area.

In recent years the all engrossing topic has been: "To Build The Tollway Or Not". Well, it finally appears that the Tollway is about to be built. But it is not going to solve all of the traffic problems around Beecroft-Cheltenham. And how are we going to get through the next three years while the Tollway is being constructed?

This General Meeting will be addressing the continuing problem of traffic in our area. We will be addressed by a representative of the R.T.A. Come along and have your say.

#### "BEECROFT-CHELTENHAM; AFTER 2000"

In the next three years, it now appears, we will see the construction of a major new Tollway in this district. In only a few years after that is completed, Sydney will be playing host to the Olympic Games, a truly major event in the life of all residents of Sydney. We will then be in a new century, the 21st Century. What will our two suburbs, Beecroft and Cheltenham, look like in the year 2010 or the year the year 2020? Will we see the character of the area changed beyond recognition by "progress". Will many of the old houses, which give our area such

charm, have been pulled down to allow for the construction of home units or town-houses? Or will they still be there, but crowded out, swamped, by wholesale development of "dual occupancies". Will our streets be choked with traffic? Will our bushland be still there in, but name only, with the few remaining native species drowned in a sea of privet, lantana, camphor laurels and other exotic vegetation?

The Civic Trust is dedicated to preserving and conserving the amenity and character of this area. To that end the Trust proposes to develop ideas for a "Plan" or outline of what residents believe should happen, (and what should not happen), in this area in the next ten to fifteen years. From time to time the Civic Trust has the opportunity to put its views to Governments and Council about matters which affect the area, and such views are usually accorded some weight, but in the past this has happened on an "ad hoc" basis. What we now want to do is to formulate an overall view of what Beecroft and Cheltenham residents envision for their suburbs in the future. Trust President Rod Howard will speak to the meeting about preliminary ideas which we hope to develop in greater detail, but we are really looking to find out what issues members wish to have addressed. Some areas include the following:-

#### Traffic.

As you will see, this General Meeting of the Civic Trust will be addressing the question of Traffic Problems in Beecroft-Cheltenham. The Civic Trust would like to have a major input into plans for dealing with traffic matters in this area.

#### · Heritage and Conservation Matters: Streetscapes

Under the new Hornsby Council proposed L.E.P. there is provision for identifying heritage and conservation features worth preserving. One of the least recognised but most important issues is preservation of streetscapes. Often it is only when that row of street trees has been chopped down, or when that nice old turn of the century front garden with hundred-year-old trees has been replaced with something else, that residents realise that the appearance of a whole street has been changed for the worse.

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