

COME AND HAVE YOUR SAY

OPEN FORUM MEETING

FOR GENERAL DISCUSSION ON ANY MATTERS AFFECTING BEECROFT / CHELTENHAM.

The Trust meeting to be held on Wednesday 24th November 1976 is to be devoted to general discussion of matters affecting Beecroft and Cheltenham.

Many of you have comments and questions relating to present and future directions of development in the area and the Trust's role in this development.

Members of the committee hear criticisms of some of the Trust's action, or lack of action, from time to time. Unfortunately the news is generally at least second hand, and in many cases, is not heard until well after the event involved.

This meeting is your chance to be heard on any topic, and to advise the committee on the directions and attitudes you expect it to be taking.

There are many influences acting on Beecroft and Cheltenham at the present.

Some areas on which we would expect discussion are -

Traffic patterns through the area

The future of Pennant Hills Park, particularly in the light of the Trust's Resources Management Plan.

Pressures for Townhouse or Home Unit development.

Future development of the Beecroft Commercial Area.

Railway station car parking areas.

Privet control. Tree Preservation.

The meeting will be held in St. John's Hall and will commence at 8 p.m.

WEDNESDAY

24th NOVEMBER

Any resident of Beecroft or Cheltenham is very welcome to participate in this meeting.

At the conclusion of the meeting, about 10 p.m., tea and coffee will be served.

PENNANT HILLS PARK.

The Resources Management Plan prepared by the Trust has been accepted in principle by Hornsby Shire Council, for further discussion and investigation.

Council has also offered assistance with the reproduction of the Plan, which runs to about 100 pages of research information, plans, photographs and recommendations.

Cr. Evans intends to discuss the proposals with Ku-Ring-Gai Council, whose area includes some of the bushland on the eastern side of the Creek and which is effectively part of the Park.

The Trust is forming a sub-committee, under the chairmanship of Geoff Armstrong, to follow up the recommendations of the Plan and collate further information that may come to hand.

RETIRING COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Two committee members have had to resign from the Trust and we take this opportunity of thanking them for their contributions to the work of the committee.

Dr. Ken Knight has moved from the district and his responsibilities as Treasurer have been taken on by Gary Fairweather.

Des Hillier has been unable to continue because of business pressures.

COBRAN ROAD.

Council has rejected a proposal from the Lands Department to sub-divide 1 lot into 2 in Cobran Rd. The proposed second lot would have been below the minimum width requirement of 18m at 7.6m from the street, and the construction of 2 reasonable buildings on the area involved would not be possible.

TRAFFIC

Hornsby Council has decided that the traffic lights mooted for the Cheltenham Road/Beecroft Road intersection would be more usefully situated at the Kirkham Street intersection and will recommend that way to the Department of Motor Transport.

CHAPMAN AVENUE

Rumours that properties on the southern side of Chapman Avenue between Beecroft Road and Wongala Crescent may be re-zoned as Commercial land or as an extension of the Arcade car park have been categorically denied by the Shire President.

CHELTENHAM RAILWAY BRIDGE

The Public Transport Commission has indicated that it has no plans for any work on the renovation or replacement of the bridge in the near future.

COMMUTER PARKING.

A further commuter parking area is to be developed in Sutherland Road near Copeland Road, on land leased from the Public Transport Commission.

Council is preparing a plan for the area with the aim of preserving as many of the existing trees as possible. A landscaped "buffer" is to be constructed along Sutherland Road to screen the parking area from view.

COUNCIL PLANT NURSERY

Council is investigating the economics of expanding its plant nursery at Pennant Hills to produce Council's full requirements, as well as offering excess production for sale to residents.

DEMPSTER DUMPSTER SERVICE

Council intends to provide funds in the 1977 estimates to employ an additional driver and purchase 4 more containers for the Dempster Dumpster Service;

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