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NSW Motorway Enquiries
Kelsey Gerbec
Public Affairs Coordinator
NSW Public Affairs

Subject: The M2 Underpass, between Sutherland Road and Derby Street Epping

Dear Mr Gerbec,

The M2 Underpass, between Sutherland Road and Derby Street Epping

The Beecroft Cheltenham Civic Trust has been approached by local residents seeking support to maintain on a regular basis the M2 underpass between Sutherland Road and Derby Street Epping. Local residents have informed the Trust that they have contacted Transurban, then Hornsby Shire Council, over the matter and are waiting for a response.

I have attached a photo showing the amount of debris and silt that is regularly deposited within the M2 tunnel after heavy rainfalls.
While the tunnel is designed to be accessed by emergency vehicles it is permanently closed to motorists. However it does form an important link between Cheltenham and Epping for recreational walkers and cyclists. Added to the silt and debris issue the artificial lighting in the tunnel is not working, creating a safety issue for pedestrians walking and cyclists riding through the tunnel. With bike riding and bush walking being very popular in the area it is important that the tunnel is maintained.

The Trust understands Transurban is responsible for the maintenance of the tunnel, as part of its lease contract with Transport for NSW. You will note that the Trust has forwarded this request onto Hornsby Shire Council as well so your company can work collaboratively with Council. Finally so all interested stakeholders are informed I will be forwarding this request onto the State Member for Epping Monica Tudehope MP and also the Epping Civic Trust for their information.

Your cooperation in addressing this matter would be greatly appreciated.

Yours Sincerely,
Ross Walker OAM
President
Beecroft Cheltenham Civic Trust
21 October 2026