

Hornsby Shire Council

The proposal for a capacity to charge electric vehicles within Beecroft/Cheltenham

The Beecroft Cheltenham Civic Trust supports the provision of electric vehicle charging within the 2119 postcode subject to the suitability of the site.

The Civic Trust has previously written to Council suggesting that a capacity to charge electric vehicles should be included as a condition of approval for all development applications for the construction of new strata residential accommodation across Hornsby Shire. This proposal is consistent with the Civic Trust's previous stance.

Further, the Civic Trust considers that the Council controlled carpark on Crown Land behind the fire station is a logical and sensible location for the installation of such a facility. It meets the test of accessibility, limited impact on heritage issues, addressing genuine needs of the community and such contribute to the benefit of both the environment and village life. Many of these being consistent with the objectives of the Civic Trust.

What is not entirely clear from the information supplied is whether:

- a distribution transformer will also be required and, if so, what are the practical and visual implications of this also being installed,
- the capacity will aim to provide as rapid a rate of charging for the majority of vehicles likely to use the equipment as possible, and
- a decision has been made s to user fees.

In preparing this response the Civic Trust has considered: <u>https://www.whichcar.com.au/car-advice/ev-charging-guide-home</u>

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