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Fellow HRAA Members,

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Our last update started with “From Little Acorns Big Trees Grow” – little did it dawn on me at the time that Big Trees grow very slowly.

From this you can infer that progress has indeed been slower than we might expect.

Hornsby Councillors finally received the Planning Dept’s submission regarding the implementation of the favourable aspects of the Survey. It was considered last Wednesday, April 29th. This meeting was not open to the public, being an internal briefing from which Councillors can weigh up the options open to them and determine what might be the best path to follow given Council’s other priorities and available resources.

From what we can gather it is Council’s intention to implement most of the aspects that were mentioned in the Survey. However the timing is as yet unknown and will be dependant on many factors, amongst which will be other projects (like the West Hornsby Precinct development), the potential amalgamation of Councils. upcoming elections, etc.

I do know that when Council does come to a decision time we need to continue to show our strong support for change by attending the appropriate meetings in force and communicating our views consistently to all the Hornsby Councillors.

Our Website (HRAA.com.au) will be up and running shortly – we will use this as the main basis for information distribution so please check in on it regularly.

We also need more registered Members – if your neighbours have not yet joined please encourage them to do so – the more Members we have, the stronger our voice in Council and state Government.

This Replanning of the Hornsby Shire Rural Area is not a small undertaking. It will take time to implement and continued support is essential.

There are people that wish no change at all and are encouraging as many residents as they can to support this view. They are trying to repudiate the Survey and undermine the wishes of the majority of Survey respondents.

If we do not replan the Rural area appropriately now then the chances of more developments like South Dural occurring are high.

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Your Say!



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Let's plan for growth in a manner that makes housing more affordable for younger families, but protects the Rural atmosphere which makes our area so enjoyable in which to live.

Remember, we are not about mass subdivision, we are about sensible growth and retaining our Rural character.

Maintain your support, spread the word - let's make it a better place for now and the next generation.

Regards,

Tony Jones
Chairman
Hornsby Rural Areas Association