SAVE BRONTE

Bronte's Last Stand - Council Meeting 16th July

We have been told that last month the RSL site developer, WLB (directed by David Hynes), lodged an application to have the RSL site height limit raised from 13 metres to 20 metres and the floor space ratio limit doubled. In planning terms this application is called a 'planning proposal'. The Council must now decide whether or not to accept these changes. If they reject the developer's application, WLB can appeal to the State Government.

It is our view that, by lodging their own 'planning proposal', WLB has moved to bypass the Council's decisions on the RSL site.

We are disappointed that the RSL and the developer will not listen to the community or to our Council. Instead of engaging with residents, it appears that they are attempting to ride roughshod over our community and our Council's decisions. The people of the Eastern Beaches have a right to



This drawing is Save Bronte's best estimate of the size of the building proposed in DA 72/2013 based on our interpretation of information in the DA. control the future of our own suburbs and Save Bronte is calling on our Council and the NSW State Government to protect that right.

Council planners must deliver reports on all three current planning processes to our Councillors. These reports will be presented to the Councillors at the Tuesday July 16th Waverley Council meeting (starting 7pm). **This will be, quite possibly, the most important Council meeting in Bronte's history.** Decisions made there will affect Bronte's future. We should all make every effort to

attend this council meeting together.

Three planning processes - Bronte RSL Site

There are currently three planning process underway that involve the RSL site. They are shown in this table:

Planning Process	Commenced	Details	Current Stage	Next step
Planning Proposal for Macpherson St neighbourhood centre: Waverley Council	Oct 2012	New planning controls in the Waverley LEP/ DCP including limiting shop size & residents only in Chesterfield Lane	Council planner report on consultation period to be presented to July 16 Council meeting	After July 16 - refer back to State Government for final approval
Bronte RSL site DA (72-2013): lodged by RSL developer WLB	March 2013	Non-complying building that breaks height limit by over 7m and has an FSR at least twice allowed	Council planner assessment of DA to be presented to July 16 Council meeting.	Assessment to be referred to a state planning panel (JRPP) in late July
Planning Proposal for RSL site: lodged by RSL developer WLB	June 2013	Asks for height limit to be increased to 20m and FSR (floor space ratio) to be doubled	Council planners to prepare initial report on planning proposal.	Council decides if the requested changes should be approved. Developer can appeal to State Government

WHO IS SAVE BRONTE?

Save Bronte is a group of local residents from all over the suburb. We are apolitical. We come from all age groups, different socio-economic backgrounds, and have wide ranging political views. Some are long term and some are short term locals. There is a committee who meet weekly to plan our battle for Bronte's future. There are many more volunteers who letterbox drop, donate their expertise in areas such as the law, planning and communications and help out in other ways. Our many supporters offer ideas and information that helps us to be an effective community action group fighting to take back control of our suburb's future. We always welcome any fresh ideas for action. If you'd like to help or if you have information you think would be useful in our campaign please email us savebronte@hotmail.com

Donations welcome

Members of the community are donating to our cause via our new bank account. If you'd like to join others in contributing to our efforts to stop this shopping mall ruining our suburb, please donate to the following account: **Account Name: Save Bronte, BSB: 082057, Account Number: 146167663**

Save Bronte Placards

There are not many left, but if you'd like to put one of our 'trucks and traffic' A2 sized waterproof placards in your window or on your fence, please email us savebronte@hotmail.com.

For a bargain price of \$20 you can proudly show your support for our community.

Council meeting July 16th

We hope to see as many of you as possible joining us at the Council meeting on Tuesday July 16th (7pm). Our Councillors will be receiving three reports from the council planning staff:

- Council drafted changes to planning controls in Macpherson St Neighbourhood Centre (planning proposal)
- Development Application 72/2013 Bronte RSL site
- WLB application to raise height limit and double floor area (planning proposal)

Action you can take: Join us at the Council Chambers

It would be an almost fatal blow to our campaign if the WLB planning proposal was

approved by our Councillors. An approval would also be in total contradiction to the Council planners' own recommendations regarding the RSL site. We need to be at the Council meeting to show the Councillors that we are watching their decisions closely and to ensure that they represent us, the residents, and not outside interests. Bring a sign and wear your SB t-shirt. (Council Chambers: Bondi Road and Paul Street, Bondi Junction)

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We need Mr Turnbull's help

Many of you would have received Malcolm Turnbull's Wentworth election brochure in the mail. In it he notes the considerable support he gave the residents of Rose Bay in their fight against the proposal to enlarge the Rose Bay marina. Mr Turnbull also talks about his opposition to the proposed Sydney Harbour helipad.

We would really like that sort of support for our campaign. Save Bronte has been asking Mr Turnbull's for help but the more requests he gets from residents the better. Please drop him an email or a tweet today! (see addresses below).

(By the way, our local state MP, Bruce Notley-Smith, has been very supportive of our campaign. Thanks for your help Mr Notley-Smith!).

What you can do today! I.Use Social Media

- Join and like "Save Bronte" and "No Harris Farm in Bronte" Facebook pages
- Post messages opposing the redevelopment on your wall and your friends' Facebook wall
- Follow @savebronte and join the #savebronte conversation on twitter

2.Connect with the community

- Talk to your neighbours and friends and share this information, get them to join our mailing list
- Put up posters in your windows and stickers on your car
- Join our mailing list by emailing us your details savebronte@hotmail.com
- Write letters to local media eg The Beast, The Wentworth Courier
- Please help us with letterbox drops, poster runs and your expertise

3.Contact Mr Malcolm Turnbull, Federal MP for Wentworth

- Email: malcolm.turnbull.mp@aph.gov.au
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- Twitter: @TurnbullMalcolm

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