



SAVE BRONTE VILLAGE

When is a village not a village?

No, this is not the start of a joke. But if it was, when it comes to Bronte Village, it would be a bad one. The WLB-RSL developer says that the state government would like to see a supermarket in the strip because it is zoned a 'village'. Sadly for him, (and while we like to think of ourselves as 'villagers!'), SBV has confirmed that the strip is actually zoned a 'Neighbourhood Centre'. Under the planning legislation, a 'neighbourhood centre' is not suited to large retail but simply to small local shops. So a shopping mall is not appropriate in the Bronte 'hood, neither by our standards nor the government's.

As the end of the year fast approaches, Save Bronte Village would like to say a huge thanks to all those who have helped us over the last couple of months, to those who have donated their time and money to our common cause and to those who have written the many many letters to our elected representatives. Nice work Villagers! To those who have offered help but who have not heard from us yet - have no fear, we will be calling on you sometime in this very long battle for Bronte's future. We really are at the beginning of a very extensive process and we need everyone to stick together for the long haul.

Hope you all have a happy festive season, maintain the rage and we'll be in touch in the new year!



The massive size of the proposed WLB development is clearly shown in this diagram. It is at least 2 times (and more likely 3 times) the permitted size.

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 Village, BSB: 082057, Account Number: 146167663

SBV T-shirt and Placard Orders

Those who ordered Save Bronte Village T-shirts and placards at the rally will be happy to know that your placards are ready now and your T-shirts will be ready in the new year. We will be contacting you regarding delivery soon. If you missed out please email us with your order and we'll be in touch asap.

Bronte Rallies

On Saturday 8th November, around 300 locals gathered outside the Bronte RSL on Macpherson St to protest against the WLB-RSL high-rise shopping mall proposal. It was a great morning with speeches from Save Bronte Village members and supporters. Our state MP, Mr Bruce Notley-Smith, was present and gave a spontaneous speech opposing the WLB-RSL proposal and strongly supporting the locals' efforts to stop 'this dog of a proposal'. Save Bronte Village would like to say a big thanks to Mr Notley-Smith for his support.

Action you can take now:

Please write to Mr Notley-Smith to thank him for his support. Also ask him to contact the RSL and the Minister for Planning to ask them to stop this proposal going ahead.



FEEDBACK FOR THE RSL -
Post-it note messages for the RSL from the local community. The community doesn't want or need this shopping mall.



COMMUNITY RALLIES -
Around 300 locals gathered on Dec 8th to reclaim control over our suburb.



LOCALS SPEAK -
volunteers are helping to raise the profile of this issue and garner support for our battle for Bronte.

Council Site Specific Review - Bronte RSL Site

What's it about?

- Aims to determine if there is a need to change the planning regulations at the site or leave them as they are.
- The Council Planners report to be presented at the February 2013 Council meeting.
- The Councillors will then decide what changes, if any, should be made to the regulations governing the RSL site.
- The community will be consulted on any suggested change to the planning rules

At the December Council meeting the Council Planners presented a number of reports to the Councillors for use in this review. Save Bronte Village addressed the Council meeting. We asked that the Council planners ensure that a residential-only zoning option is examined as part of the review as this is what the community wants. We also asked for a traffic report to be commissioned that looks at the effects of development at the site on the Clovelly Public School (CPS) and Bronte Child Care Communities. Sadly the Councillors voted against commissioning such a report.

Action you can take now:

Write to the Council planners and our Councillors to ask that the Bronte RSL site be rezoned residential as part of their site specific review of the area. Ask for a traffic report looking at impacts on the CPS.

WHO IS SAVE BRONTE VILLAGE?

Save Bronte Village is a group of local residents from all over the suburb. We are apolitical. 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 savebrontevillage@hotmail.com

DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION

WLB has publicly stated that they will lodge their DA after February. However, all villagers should be on high alert over the Christmas period. The WLB-RSL partnership could lodge the DA at any time including Christmas Eve. Have your pens ready to write objections to the DA within the 14 day submission period.

What you can do now!

1. Write to Waverley Council and local MPs

- Ask for the Bronte RSL site to be rezoned 'Residential' in the new site specific controls

2. Use Social Media

- Join and like "Save Bronte Village" 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 #savebronte conversation on twitter

3. Write to Harris Farm Markets

- Write a formal letter to Harris Farm outlining your opposition to a Harris Farm in Bronte.
- Post a "don't come to Bronte" comment on the "Harris Farm Facebook" page.

4. 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 - savebrontevillage@hotmail.com
- Sign our petition (at most local shops)
- Write letters to local media eg The Beast, The Wentworth Courier
- Please help us with letterbox drops, poster runs and your expertise

Address List

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Waverley Councillors – three local ward councillors and Mayor listed.

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