

West Ward Bytes

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Next Meetings

Due to the Easter and Anzac Day holidays
The Committee has decided to cancel the April meeting
The next meeting and AGM will be held on 16th May 2019
7:30 PM Dougherty Centre, 7 Victor Street, Chatswood

Local Shops - More Units?

Council is in the process of considering shopping precincts for the Fullers Road/Greville Street area and the Mowbray Road/Hinkler Crescent area. This will probably mean that there will need to be an upzoning of surrounding residential areas for high rise. Let your Ward Councillors know what you think of such a proposal.

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Train Every 3 Minutes?

When the Epping to Chatswood line reopens in May it is likely that there will be a train every three minutes to the city during the morning peak.

The concern is that Chatswood station will become overcrowded with passengers from Rouse Hill/Epping looking to transfer to already crowded trains to the City (many of which come from the Central Coast and might be full).

20 People Next Door?

Residents in Wood Street, Chatswood are concerned about a Development Application for an attached dual occupancy. It is proposed that each dwelling will have five bedrooms (10 in total) over three stories.

In today's world where the average family size is just north of 2 persons it is difficult to understand why so many bedrooms would be required.

New Full Service Hotel Approved

The hotel proposed at 475-501 Victoria Ave. Chatswood has been approved. It will have 156 rooms and be 15 storeys high (the surrounding buildings are 14 storey). The planners who recommended and approved the application expressed the view that providing more commercial space near the train station was in the public interest.

The new development will include a 13m lap pool, restaurant and three conference rooms. The underground carpark at the site would be retained with its capacity reduced from 365 spaces to 291, but parking will also be provided for 98 bicycles.

9 Centennial

After a concerted campaign by local residents Willoughby Council has voted to heritage list the house 9 Centennial Avenue, Chatswood. However, local residents are worried that the owner might challenge the decision in the NSW Land & Environment Court.

Daphne Dunne RIP

Much loved Australian war widow and Prince Harry's super fan Daphne Dunne has died at 99.

Daphne was a former wife of Victoria Cross recipient Lieutenant Albert Chowne. Albert went to Chatswood Boys Intermediate High School and later Naremburn Junior Technical School

Fullers Potholes

The Fullers Rd surface is breaking up even though it is relatively new. There have been two recent patches and other areas are badly cracked. The poor surface will be exacerbated by further rain. There is a strong suspicion that the breakup is due to the big truck-trailer combinations that are now frequenting the road, presumably carrying spoil from infrastructure work within the city (particularly the Metro dive site). It looks like we will soon end up with a significantly patched road. With the Show buses that will be running over the next couple of weeks, things could get worse.

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