



HELP US SEND A MESSAGE TO OUR NEW COUNCIL

Glen Eira now has a new council that in the next 12 months will be making some very important decisions about how this municipality will develop, change, and how the revenue will be spent. Councillors therefore need to understand the community's views and how we envisage the future.

The petition focuses on what we see as gaps in council's planning for the future and how some of these gaps could be addressed –

PLANNING: Currently there are no height restrictions in our smaller shopping strips such as Caulfield South, Caulfield North, East Bentleigh, McKinnon, Ormond, etc. We believe that this gap can be remedied via the introduction of structure plans that include individual, mandatory height limits across all land designated as commercial.

OPEN SPACE: Glen Eira has the least amount of public open space per population in the state. There is a special OPEN SPACE LEVY, paid for by developers, but the vast majority of this fund is currently used to redevelop existing open space. We are advocating that 50% or greater of this fund be spent on the acquisition of new open space.

ENVIRONMENTAL/SUSTAINABLE DESIGN: Council currently has no policies in our planning scheme to ensure that new buildings include the highest standards of 'sustainable design' – such as water tanks/grey use, sufficient sunlight, etc. Numerous other councils have had these policies for years.

URBAN FOREST STRATEGY/CANOPY COVER/CLIMATE EMERGENCY: Over the past 10 years, the Glen Eira tree canopy has reduced from 20% to 12% – mainly through development and the removal of trees on private land. Council has now set a target of an increase of the tree canopy to 14% by 2040. We believe this should be much greater to a target of 25% tree canopy by 2040

COMMUNITY CONSULTATION: Residents currently have no real say in setting the priorities for how the revenue collected by council is spent. To address this issue we are advocating for the establishment of a citizen jury that will have an important say in establishing how, and on what, council spends this money. Current examples from other councils include, Melbourne & Darebin,

We therefore ask that you print off the attached sheet; show it to your neighbours, your friends and family, and if they agree with any of our suggestions to please sign the petition and deliver the signed copies to any of the following collection points.

4 Pearce Street, South Caulfield

17 Oak Avenue, Elsternwick

86 Deakin St, East Bentleigh

You may also ring the following numbers and we will arrange to pick the signed forms up from you!

0425 793 602 OR 0402 079 849

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