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North West Rail Link Corridor Strategy – feedback

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NORTH WEST RAIL LINDK CORRIDOR STRATEGY – FEEDBACK FORM

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1. Why were the meetings organised by the Department of Planning and Infrastructure not widely advertised. I understand the advertisements were placed in local newspapers but not all those affected by the department's planned changes read these papers. At least those residents within the 800m precinct should have been advised by letterbox drop. It looked to many interested parties that the government is trying to hide something. We only heard about the meeting through a member of the Robert Road Action Group. One of the members of that group attended the Castle Hill meeting and reported that fewer than 20 people had attended there. We suggest that your feedback forms will be insufficient in number to ascertain the true feelings of the Cherrybrook community as so many people will not have known that a meeting had been called.
2. At the meeting we were advised that the person in charge of transport was not available due to illness. For a matter as important as this one – why was there no one there to assist with transport issues.
3. There were insufficient "feedback" forms for the numbers attending at Cherrybrook last Saturday. Why? I am relying on one copied from a link.

As a matter of interest we spoke with "Trish" who advised us that she was overwhelmed by the numbers at the 11.30 meeting at Cherrybrook. The many people who attended at that time were mostly members of the Robert Road Action Group and once again, they were only there because someone from our group had advised us of the meeting during the week prior.

If the government is truly wishing to show transparency, any matters relating to the NWRL issues should be widely advertised and especially so to those people living within 800 metres of the proposed station.

It is particularly worrying that during meetings with Mr Perrottet and the Deputy Mayor of Hornsby Council recently, the fact that the Department of Planning and Infrastructure had put their plans together was never raised by either of them. Once again, why the secrecy?

No one doubts that there will be some commercial activity within the new station at Cherrybrook. Small shops such as newsagencies, dry cleaners, 7/11 stores etc would be expected to be built. However, as with the current main Northern Line any major re-zoning only appears at main stations such as Hornsby and Epping. Castle Hill is already a main centre and it is widely accepted that there will be high rise units within walking distance of the station, but Cherrybrook was and is referred to as the "