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Dear Sir / Madam.

Showground Station Precinct

March 4-6th 2016 will mark 130 year operation of the Castle Hill Show which incidentally has been and still is run by volunteers with only one (1) paid part time Secretary.

Further, it is important to note that all members of the Castle Hill & Hills District Agricultural Society inc. are not against improvements to the site but welcomes same for greater public use provided any or all are sympathetic and compliment existing uses

From the published diagram it appears that little if any provision has been made for many and essential activities that are an integral part of our and any agricultural show namely – horses, cattle, alpaca, poultry, sheep, craft, art, animal nursery, schools rural displays (animals etc), dogs, horticulture etc.

It would further appear that provision for horse floats and general parking has not been adequately addressed as without same participants and the public in general will not attend.

The Castle Hill Show has for many years earned the excellent reputation as being a “Mini Royal” at a fraction of the cost to the public. It also enables horse riding participants to earn the necessary points towards selection at the “Royal”.

I currently am the food and trade stall space co-ordinator for the annual show and I as, has provision for this essential section of the Show been considered as internal use for a number of food operations is not feasible..

It would be most tragic to allow a long running and much loved annual show to cease to operate. It is widely said that the Castle Hill Show is where the “city meets the country” thus appreciating each other’s way of life.

17,000 plus people are expected to attend this year’s show over the three (3) days and one (1) night to enjoy the excellent entertainment programme, further some 2,000 school children are scheduled to attend on the Friday 4th March.

On another matter,

With the projected substantial increase in population within the Shire over the next ten (10) years has provision for additional cemeteries / crematoriums been considered as the Hills Shire has a rapidly aging population.

Thank you for the opportunity in submitting this letter.

Yours faithfully,

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