

The General Manager Hornsby Shire Council,

Dear Sir,

BC/9/2023 Unauthorised works 92A Malton Rd Beecroft

The Beecroft Cheltenham Civic Trust has been approached by local residents concerning unauthorised works being carried out at the subject property. Furthermore this matter at 92A Malton appears to be associated with the development at 88 Malton and its ongoing disputes over non-compliant works.

The Trust objects to the proposed works. The reasoning as to why a Building Certificate is being submitted, as opposed to a development application, for such significant works is not clear. Regardless of the works being retrospective it is essential that the process followed for such a significant activity, is seen by the community to be correctly followed.

There is a public perception developing within the local community that matters relating to the development associated with 88 – 92 Malton could be managed better by Council.

While the Trust is not fully conversant with the history of these sites Council is requested to ensure that additional care is taken to ensure that the local community has comfort that due process is being followed. Such additional care may require council engaging an independent consultant to assess the various works or referring the works to the Local Planning Panel in order to achieve a greater degree of transparency.

As with previous correspondence the Trust believes it is important that our elected councillors are fully aware of local community views within the Shire. Hence their inclusion in this email.

Yours Sincerely,

Ross Walker OAM Vice President Beecroft Cheltenham Civic Trust 13 April 2023