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## Hurlstone Park Public Meeting about Over-Development

The Greens are organising a public meeting to discuss overdevelopment in the Canterbury area and how to protect the community from overcrowding and the environmental, social and traffic problems that come with it.



The meeting will take place on Wednesday 5th August from 6.30pm at the Hurlstone Park Bowling Club in Marcia St.

NSW Greens MP and Planning spokesperson Sylvia Hale will deliver a presentation on what is wrong with the NSW planning system and how to fix it. Ms Hale will look at the origins of environmental and heritage protection laws in the community protests and the green ban movement of the 1970s and will outline how millions of dollars of political donations from the property development industry has led to those laws being systematically watered down to allow today's development free-for-all.

“Communities across NSW are being pressured to squeeze in thousands more houses, apartments and commercial developments over the next decade while the state government is deregulating planning controls,” Ms Hale said.

“The inner west is under pressure to deliver 30,000 additional homes. The pressure on local infrastructure is immense and people will pay for overdevelopment with increased noise and air pollution, overstretched services and traffic gridlock.”

Greens Canterbury Councillor Linda Eisler said:

“This public meeting is an opportunity for local people to discuss what sort of community we want and how we go about protecting our quality of life in the face of enormous pressure to over-develop what is already a densely populated area.”

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