



MOUNT LAWLEY SOCIETY MEDIA STATEMENT

Request to Save Iconic Heritage Homes at House Number 690 and 692 Beaufort Street, Mount Lawley

2 AUGUST 2020

- The Mount Lawley Society is lodging a petition on 4 August 2020 to the City of Stirling with more than 220 signatures from people who oppose the demolition of two iconic homes that are in the Town Centre.
- The Society and local community request the City of Stirling bring these applications to Council for a formal public decision to ensure the protection of these two iconic homes.
- The Society supports the Beaufort Street Local Development Plan (BSLDP); however, the proposed applications do not meet the BSLDP objectives or the Heritage Protection Guidelines.
- The Society is requesting the City of Stirling to ensure new apartment developments to be developed in sympathy with the character of the streetscape and suburb.
- Architectural guidelines for the development of the Mount Lawley Town Centre activity area are in urgent need of being funded by the City of Stirling so that developers are clear on the vision for the Town Centre.

Located in the historic Town Centre of Mount Lawley, two of Beaufort Street's most-iconic homes are currently threatened with demolition. These stunning heritage properties are in excellent condition and have been part of our streetscape and character of Beaufort Street since 1903 when No 690 was built for the Schruth family and then in 1915, No 692 was built for the Cohen family.

The properties fall within the Heritage Protection Area of Mount Lawley and the Beaufort Street Local Development Plan, a statutory document which aims to conserve, retain and integrate quality heritage character properties with future apartment developments.

The Mount Lawley Society is lodging a petition with the City of Stirling which closes on 4 August 2020, and is requesting our Ward Councillors, Ms Migdale and Mr Ferrante, to allow the community to engage in any development through the creation of appropriate architectural design guidelines for built form and streetscapes that will ensure that the character of Mount Lawley is protected.

Comments attributed to Mount Lawley Society President, Tracey King:

"These heritage properties are in excellent condition and have been part of our streetscape and character of Beaufort Street since 1903, when 690 was built for the Schruth family and No 692 was built in 1915 for the Cohen family. Both families are part of Perth and Mt Lawley history and both homes are excellent examples of the Federation style.

The Mount Lawley Society is supportive of the Beaufort Street Local Development Plan, subject to the City of Stirling providing architectural design guidelines that will demonstrate how the community expects to integrate existing heritage homes on commercial lots with apartment developments. We would prefer to see applications developed in conjunction with the community rather than applicants reverting to JDAP, which has proven, time and time again, to deliver inappropriate community outcomes. This was evident in the development on the corner of Clifton Crescent and Central Avenue.”

Application details:

DA20/0718

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