



MEDIA RELEASE

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“Fighting to Retain Local Democracy”

FOKE PUBLIC FORUM WEDNESDAY 25 MAY 8.00 PM

On Wednesday 25 May at 8.00pm at the Killara Uniting Church Hall in Arnold Street, Friends of Ku-ring-gai Environment (FOKE) is hosting a Public Forum featuring special guest speakers

“Given the community concern and the public interest in the Baird Government, pending the forcing of the amalgamation of Ku-ring-gai Council with the Hornsby Shire and the forced amalgamations announced last week across Sydney and NSW, we are delighted that a number of significant guest speakers from affected councils have agreed to speak at our Public Forum,” said Kathy Cowley.

“Hear our guest speakers who will include Mayor of Ku-ring-gai CI Cheryl Szatow, Mayor of Woollahra Council CI Toni Zeltzer, CI Mary Ann Beregi from North Sydney Council, CI Tom Sherlock Mosman Council and Mr Phil Jenkyn OAM of Save Hunter’s Hill Municipality Coalition, speak on how forced amalgamation will impact their local communities and affect local democracy.”

“The Baird Government want to use amalgamation to centralise planning powers and fast track development. This will be the cost of our local democratic rights” said Kathy Cowley.

“We believe the NSW Government’s forced council amalgamation policy might just be turning into a ‘tipping point’ issue where people decide to reassert their democratic rights into anger against their politicians in government” Kathy Cowley said.

“The Forum will commence at 8.00pm on Wednesday 25 May 2016 at the Killara Uniting Church Hall, Arnold Street, Killara. Admission is free and all are welcome to attend.” Kathy Cowley said.

Attached: FOKE Public Forum Poster/Flyer and photos of key guest speakers.

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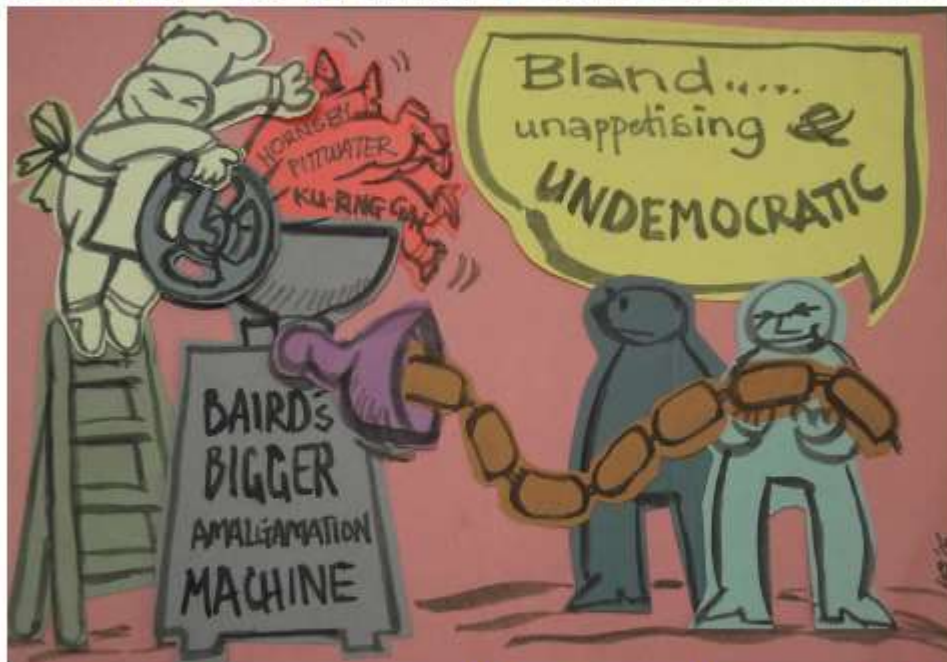
FRIENDS OF
KU-RING-GAI
ENVIRONMENT INC.

PUBLIC MEETING – Wednesday 25 May 2016

**Killara Uniting Church Hall, Killara
corner Karranga Avenue & Arnold Street Killara**

Commencing at 8.00 pm

FIGHTING TO RETAIN LOCAL DEMOCRACY



The Baird Government wants to use amalgamation to centralise planning powers and fast track development. This will be at the cost of your local democratic rights.

Hear how Baird's attacks on local democracy are affecting communities across Sydney. Speakers include Mayor of Ku-ring-gai Cllr Cheryl Szatow, Mr Phil Jenkyn OAM Save Hunter's Hill, Cllr Carolyn Corrigan Mosman Deputy Mayor, Cllr Mary Ann Beregi North Sydney Council and Mayor of Woollahra Council Cllr Toni Zeltzer.

STAND UP FOR YOUR LOCAL DEMOCRATIC RIGHTS

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