



## **Greens campaign launch focuses on overdevelopment and climate change**

Greens candidate and Canada Bay Deputy Mayor Charles Jago will launch his campaign for the NSW electorate of Drummoyne and the federal electorate of Reid on 20<sup>th</sup> February. Councillor Jago will be joined by David Shoebridge MLC, the NSW Greens Upper House lead candidate and spokesperson on planning and local government. Mr Shoebridge will speak at the campaign launch on the topic "Climate change and the NSW planning system".

Charles Jago is calling on John Sidoti MP and the NSW Coalition Government to suspend their plans for overdevelopment in Rhodes. "Many of the residents I talk to are concerned about overdevelopment, but the NSW government is not listening. I hear the same story all across Sydney, where the government is imposing too many new dwellings that reduce the quality of life in those places," said Councillor Jago.

"I am concerned to represent the wishes of residents for more schools, recreational facilities such as a pool and open spaces, not promoting the interests of property developers."

"Another key factor affecting city planning for liveable cities is climate change. Better planning controls on the quality of housing will improve liveability, reduce energy costs and reduce carbon emissions. The government's failure to improve these energy standards not only locks in higher bills for residents, but ensures ongoing high emissions from residential buildings lasting for decades.

David Shoebridge commented, "Our planning system has little vision for the future, no voice from the community, and prioritises profit. It's time for that to change. Without including forward-thinking and climate-conscious infrastructure incorporated into development plans, the Liberals and Nationals are sentencing Sydney to a future of congestion and neighbourhoods that don't make sense for their residents."

Councillor Jago and Mr Shoebridge welcome residents of the Drummoyne & Reid electorates, as well as any Greens supporters from the Sydney region, to attend the campaign launch on 20 February 2019 from 6:30pm at the Concord Community Centre.

David Shoebridge MLC was first elected to the Upper House of NSW Parliament in September 2010. David is the Greens NSW spokesperson for Local Government, Planning and Heritage, and other portfolios.

### **Campaign launch**

**Topic: Saving Sydney, Climate change and planning**

**Date: Wednesday, 20th February, 2019**

**Time: 6.30pm to 8pm**

**Venue: Concord Community Centre, Gipps Street Concord.**

Interested residents are invited to attend the campaign launch. Light refreshments will be available.

Charles Jago

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