

I am a long-time resident of Rosebery and I believe that homeowners should be able to build two story homes on their property. I purchased my home over 20 years ago and as my family is growing, I desperately need extra space and I also need to be able to accommodate my elderly mother as she will soon need to move in so I can look after her full time, accordingly me, like many residents in Rosebery need to building bigger homes. Therefore, I would like to vote that the outdated Rosebery Covenant be removed permanently. I vote against the temporary exclusion of the Rosebery Estate from the Housing Code and Low-Rise Housing Code. I vote against a two-year temporary exclusion from the Housing Code and the Low Rise Housing Diversity code.

Please refer to my below points

- As best to my knowledge, all other residents in any other suburb residing in Australia can build larger homes on their land to accommodate growing family needs – except Rosebery – this is very unfair.
- The Covenant was introduced in 1914 when the population was so much less.
- The Covenant was introduced in a time when housing was affordable and there was no need for multigeneration living.
- The Rosebery Resident Action group which opposes two story dwellings in Rosebery is a small group made up of a husband and wife and a handful of other residents. This small group is holding the whole suburb to ransom. Residents who have made improvements to their homes by building two storey homes or an additional story on their existing home, have been receiving hate mail from the Action Group.
- The Rosebery Resident Action group does not speak on behalf of all the Rosebery Residents – this is proven by the large number of homeowners who have submitted applications to extend/renovate/expand their homes to Council or through a private certifier. This proves that most of the Rosebery residents would like to be able to improve their homes – just like residents are able to do in all other suburbs.
- The Rosebery Action Group held a meeting to oppose the two-story developments in Rosebery, only 60 people showed up, half were from the same household, so approximately 30 people representing 30 homes – this is hardly an accurate representation of the 3000+ houses in Rosebery.
- There is a lot of talk about maintaining bungalows in Rosebery; only a handful of original bungalows still exist in Rosebery. 80% of the houses in Rosebery have either had: the original roof line changed due to the hailstorm in 1999. Chimneys removed from the roof tops, wood windows replaced by aluminium windows, tiled driveways, and balconies. 50% of the houses in Rosebery have been rendered – these homes do not look like bungalows anymore. Many of the old houses are cracked, riddled with mould, and contain asbestos – no wonder many of us residents would like to be able to knock these down and build a bigger, more sustainable home which would be able to accommodate multi generation families. In most cases it would be much cheaper to knock down and rebuild then to renovate an older home riddled with cracks/mould and or asbestos. It would be much each easier for homeowners to do these

renovations through a private certifier, much cheaper and much more efficient than apply through local council. All other suburbs (as best to my knowledge) can use a private certifier and I believe that Rosebery residents are of a huge disadvantage if we are only able to go through local council.

- Rosebery is surrounded by units, yet we residents will not be able to build a second story using a private certifier – this seems very unfair.
- Below are what most of the houses in Rosebery look like – hardly the bungalows everyone speaks of









Below is a small example of the units that Rosebery is surrounded by – yet the residents will not be able to go through a public certifier to simply build an addition or second story – very, very unfair!!

