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We ask you to come to a meeting, at our place, of residents who are concerned about Frank Walford Park and Katoomba Falls Creek Reserve. We're concerned about these areas.

The meeting is at 3 o'clock on Sunday, October 15. Our place is on the corner of Waratah Street and Cascade Street. We suggest the meeting at our place, since if there is going to be a group of residents actively concerned about Frank Walford Park and the Katoomba Falls Creek Reserve then we need to start somewhere.

Please don't be offended by us asking you. There's nothing sinister about it. There's no catch. We don't have any hidden motives, political or otherwise. If you don't want to come, or if no-one wants to come, that's O.K. If you do come, please feel easy and informal about it.

We have our own concerns about these areas and about what might happen to them. So do you. We see this meeting as a chance to share our ideas. Maybe we're crazy, maybe not. You're probably wondering just what we're on about. Just to give you an idea what our concerns are, here are some of them:

- . most of Frank Walford Park is at risk, under its zoning, of being turned into something which brings benefits to a private developer who can get tourists to whatever he/she/they dream up for the area - 12 months ago there was talk about this sort of thing - we can be sure people who live in this area will not be consulted, will be the last to be informed, and will be on the wrong foot from the beginning;

- . if that happens, we will have lost a beautiful bushland amenity for those of us who live here now and for generations to come;

- . if that happens, Katoomba Falls Creek, which starts up in Frank Walford Park, will quickly become more fouled up, more silted up, and more an open drain than it is now:

- . if that happens, residents living around the valley of Katoomba Falls Creek will be constantly afflicted by whatever tourist-attracting development may be put there;

- . the Environmental Management Plan is being finalised NOW - that is a very big chance to change the zoning which puts the Frank Walford Park and the whole Creek valley at risk;

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. continuing to use the old racing circuit on Frank Wal-  
ford Park is no longer appropriate to an area which is now  
heavily built up by residents living around the valley sides  
and prevents the area being managed in the best interests of  
this bushland; it deserves better and has already made a great  
comeback from harmful development;

. the areas can be cared for and better used for the  
benefit of residents than they are now.

Anyway, you're welcome to come to our place to share your  
concerns and ideas.

Yours sincerely,

*Neil Stuart*

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