

Bureaucratic spin on Nelson Parade waste

Bureaucrats from Property NSW have met with Hunters Hill residents to update them on an option to contain Nelson Parade's radio active waste within an on site concrete bunker.

The recent meeting was held at the Community Centre on Gladesville Road and the concrete bunker option is not supported by a majority of Hunters Hill residents, who back the local council's call to have the waste removed.

The radio active waste is on a fenced off property in Nelson Parade and has

been there since the site was a factory, more than 100 years ago.

Twelve Nelson Parade residents recently wrote to Property NSW – which owns the site – urging the waste to be removed.

Ryde MP Victor Dominello is the Finance Minister responsible for the Property NSW portfolio and

recently told The Weekly Times a multi-million dollar funding package had been approved to deal with the issue and that a site in South Australia was being considered for the waste removal.

Former Hunters Hill Mayor Cllr Richard Quinn has since blasted the government's refusal to move the waste to the Kemps Creek waste storage facility which he said was a "political decision" because the local electorate of Mulgoa is marginally held by Liberal MP Tanya Davies.

Save Hunters Hill Municipality spokesman Phil Jenkyn OAM was at the meeting and urged residents to keep fighting to have the radio active waste removed.

"Make no mistake, second rate governments think they can handle these sort of issues with PR spin but we can win this with enough pressure on the government in the next nine months before the state election."

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