

There is a call for one of the 'Dutch Houses' of Coopers Plains to be preserved for public access as a history cafe to tell the story of Dutch history in Brisbane.

The 'Dutch Houses' were built by a Dutch company for the Queensland Housing Commission in the 1950s. Of 300, only a few remain. They are now part of Cornerstone Living. We identified 9 Macdevitt Street (pictured above) as the best candidate. It is currently home to Oxley Creek Catchment Centre (OCCA). We have the support of the developer, but without community interest, it may not proceed. The concept is to have a self-funded history cafe and community orchard, run by a nfp organization. The interior will be



furnished in mid-century decor, displaying images and information about local Dutch history. Picture a fun tourist spot with waiters in traditional Dutch dress serving tables inside and out in the sun under shady trees. Cosy meeting rooms for hire. A fruit orchard supplying the menu. Tantalizing conversations about history, local gossip and tasty fruit recipes.

A meeting at the Cooper Plains Library is being held on Saturday 20th of May from 4pm.

All welcome. Your support is needed. For more information:

https://equanimity.blog/dutch-house-community-gardens/

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