

THE
Vines
RESIDENTS AND
RATEPAYERS ASSOCIATION (INC)
The Grapevine
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UPDATE FROM THE CHAIR

As many of you are now aware, a development application for a two-storey concrete driving range to be built on the 9th hole of the Lakes golf course has been lodged with the City of Swan.

This signals the beginning of the plan by The Vines (WA) Pty Ltd to realise their ambition to convert the current grass driving range into an over 55's village, along with the future removal of 9 holes of the Ellenbrook golf course for housing. Residents and golfers, along with many members of the general public and a whole range of supporters from various interest groups, are totally opposed to this development.

We have arranged a community meeting and full details are on page 2. Please make every effort to come to this meeting. It will be attended by the City of Swan Planning department, City of Swan Councillors, representatives from our elected members of parliament and interested media outlets. It is vital that we show all these people just how much we are opposed to the redevelopment.

The meeting will also provide you with information on the process to be undertaken, and the role each of us can play in this. You will have plenty of opportunity to have your questions answered.

This is the time when we all need to come together. We cannot put this off. Time is of the essence. We can fight this and we can win. I am excited by the opportunity in front of us, and I look forward to welcoming you all there.

In the meantime, please also ensure that you have signed our online petition. Whilst the Development Application public consultation process is specific to the concrete two-storey driving range, our online petition allows you to object and comment on the entire redevelopment plan.

You can scan the QR code to the right to access the petition. Otherwise you can find it at www.change.org/StopTheVinesRedevelopment



**Scan to sign
our petition**

Development Application

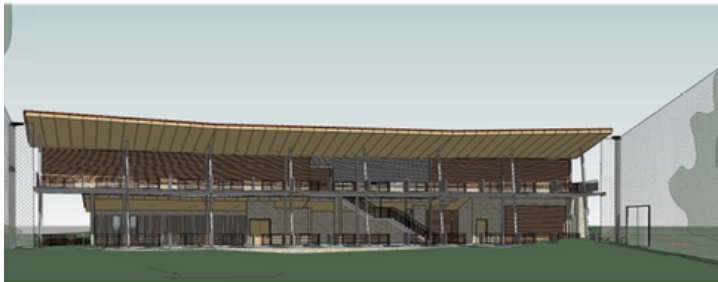
The development application for the concrete two- storey driving range is now open for public comment on the City of Swan's website.



The City of Swan have sent letters to all residents of The Vines, containing high-level points on the application, as well as details of how you can let them know your thoughts. You can also scan the QR code to the right to access the relevant City of Swan webpage.

All the documents submitted by The Vines (WA) Pty Ltd are available on that webpage for review. The online comment form allows you to state your opinion on the proposal.

The DA consultation period expires on **24th February 2023**, so we ask that you submit your comments as soon as possible. In order to answer any questions that you may have, we are holding a community meeting - the details appear in the next section of this page.



The proposal covers an area of approximately 20,000m² on the 9th hole of the Lakes course, for the building and driving range, including:

- 14 ground floor tee boxes and 14 first floor tee boxes
- 21 buggy parking bays adjacent to the southern wall of the building
- A 20m high chain-link fence around the driving range area
- Floodlights attached to the building and at the top of the support poles for the chain-link fence
- A one storey amenities building housing ablution facilities including a universally accessible toilet, male and female toilets, storeroom and covered area



Community Meeting

We will be holding a community meeting to answer your questions on the Development Application. City of Swan Planning staff will be in attendance.

Details of the meeting are as follows:

DATE:	TUESDAY 7TH FEBRUARY 2023
DOORS OPEN:	6.30PM
MEETING STARTS:	7.00PM
LOCATION:	ELLENBROOK CHRISTIAN COLLEGE 5 SANTONA BOULEVARD, ELLENBROOK

The majority of the meeting will be dedicated to providing details of the Development Application process, plus a Q&A session to enable residents to get clarity on the DA and on what will happen next.

Bring your neighbours - if they are not yet members of The VRRRA, they will be able to join on the night. We will also have bin stickers and copies of 'The History of The Vines' book available for purchase.

If you are not sure of the location, or are unable to attend but have a question that you would like answered, please email us at vinesresidentsassociation@gmail.com

Campaign Bin Stickers

Would you like to show your support for our campaign against the redevelopment? We have bin stickers available which have been printed with our campaign logo.

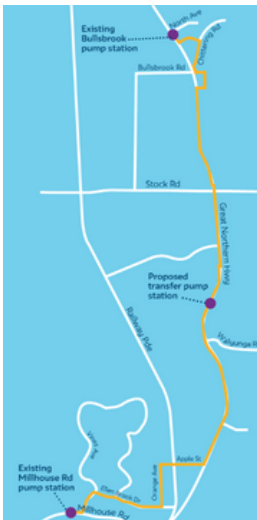
These are a glossy vinyl sticker, measuring 340mm by 300mm. The photo to the right is an illustration of what the size looks like on a bin. **They are available for just \$5 each!**

Show your support for our campaign by buying one (or two) for each of your bins.

You can order by scanning the QR code here, or by using the link on our Facebook page. We will then deliver to your letterbox as soon as possible. We will also have stickers available to buy at the Community Meeting on 7th February.



Water Corp Works: Road Closure



You will probably have seen the large sign on Millhouse Road advising that it will be closed for one month. This is due to Water Corporation works on a new waste water pipeline from Ellenbrook to Bullsbrook.

The works on Millhouse Road have been delayed until 13th February to allow other roadworks in Aveley to be completed first. Millhouse Road will then be closed between Chateau Place and Holdsworth Ave. The planned diversion is through The Vines, via Bordeaux Lane. Please therefore be aware of extra traffic on our roads during that period.

Once the work on Millhouse Road is completed, Water Corp will be moving to Chateau Place and Ellen Brook Drive for the next section of the pipeline. This will include removal of some trees on the western side of Chateau Place and the south-eastern corner of Ellen Brook Drive.

Committee News

We are still looking for someone to join our committee as a non-executive member to assist with general tasks, including the campaign against the golf course re-development, helping us to run events, and participating in other activities.

You will need to be available to attend our committee meetings which are held regularly, usually on a Monday evening. If you would like to find out more, please feel free to email us with any questions. The email address is vinesresidentsassociation@gmail.com



Upcoming General Event



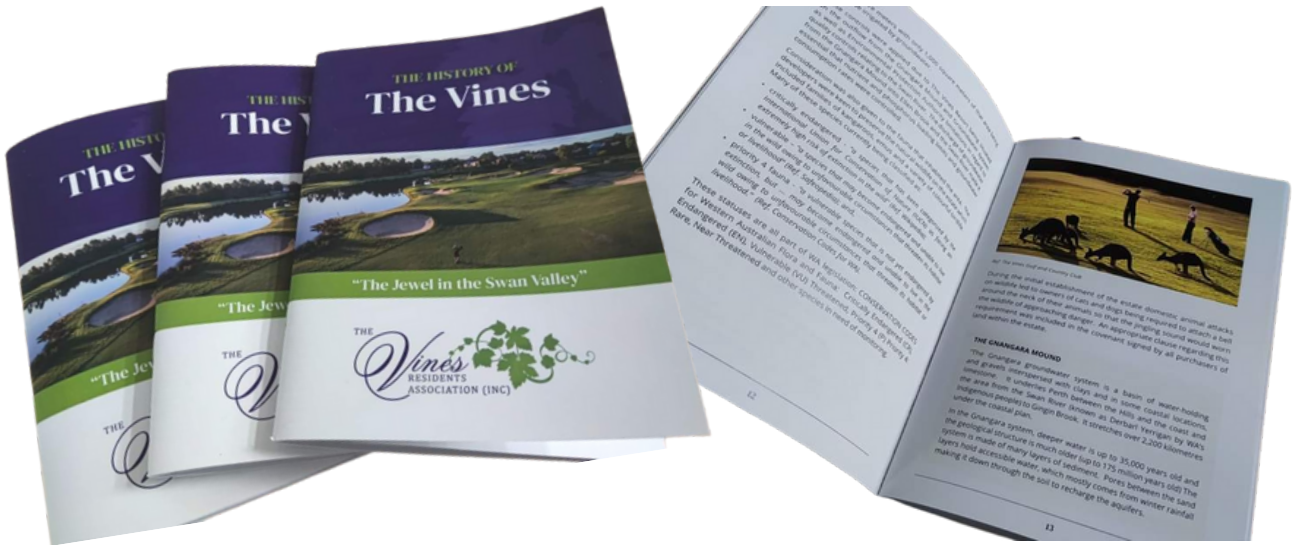
On Sunday 5th March we will take part in the **Clean Up Australia** event. This will involve coming together to pick up litter and, dependent upon how many people want to be involved, we are planning to have multiple groups throughout our suburb.

Please watch out for further details on our Facebook page and in The Grapevine.

The History of The Vines

We have a lot to lose if the redevelopment plans move ahead. Although we all have our own concerns and interests, we should also take into account how The Vines came about, including its benefits to the state from a tourism and economic perspective. **The History of The Vines** documents the initial development of The Vines Resort and Country Club. It tells how the government of the day supported this development to encourage Japanese tourism within Western Australia and enhance tourist opportunities within the beautiful Swan Valley. It documents the highs that were a key part of early life within The Vines; the challenges that residents faced when building their homes within the area; and, now what are seen as even greater challenges in maintaining the areas semi-rural lifestyle due to the threat of redevelopment.

The books are available for purchase at \$10.00 each. Please contact The VVRA via email vinesresidentsassociation@gmail.com if you are interested in purchasing these books. We will also have books available to buy at the Community Meeting on 7th February.



Express Wildlife Rescue

Andrea from Express Wildlife Rescue currently has 19 joeys in care. The joeys are from The Vines and their mothers have been killed on roads within The Vines.

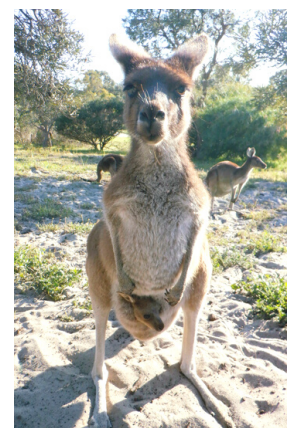
The joeys require a lot of care. The formula used to feed them is expensive and the feeding regime is over a 24 hour timeframe.

Andrea and her volunteers also look after other wildlife, taking calls from the public at all hours of the day.

If you are able to spare any time, (even 2 or 3 hours per week), to help with the joeys and other numerous animals in care, please phone Andrea on 0417 926130.

If you don't have time to volunteer, then donations of any of the items listed below would be sincerely appreciated:

- Denkavit Calf Milk replacer
- Sunflower seed
- Sweet potatoes
- Tissues
- Leafy green vegetables
- Paper towels
- Cabbage
- Washing powder
- Apples
- Garbage bags
- Large and small parrot seed



Containers for Change

The VRRRA Committee is a small team of volunteers with assistance from a few amazing helpers from within our community. We always need more residents on board helping by getting out in the community, meeting and talking with other residents about our efforts. We also appreciate hearing any fundraising ideas that you have.

Our participation in 'Containers for Change' arose from a suggestion by VRRRA members. Details are below.

The VRRRA are delighted to be a registered beneficiary of the Containers for Change recycling scheme in Western Australia.

THE VRRRA Scheme ID is C10534672

For each eligible recycled container, The VRRRA will receive 10 cents. Most aluminium, glass, plastic, steel and liquid paperboard drink containers between 150ml and 3L are eligible. Please check for the 10c mark on drink containers to ensure they are recyclable. Please remove lids from bottles (lids are also recyclable)



Recyclable containers must be bagged up or taped up in cardboard boxes and placed in the trailer/compound area at the drop off point below:

19 Pinot Terrace, The Vines

As this is a Resident's home address, we ask that you follow the rules above and ensure the area is left clean and tidy. Alternatively, containers can be dropped at other Containers for Change locations, quoting The VRRRA ID number above

Renew or Donate: Payment Details

MEMBERSHIP DIRECT PAYMENT OPTION

BENDIGO BANK
ACCOUNT NAME The Vines Residents Association
BSB 633-000
ACCOUNT 142658913
REFERENCE Last Name & Street (eg: Smith – Vines Ave)

Or, renew via this QR code:



You can use your credit card via The VRRRA website:

<https://thevinesra.com.au/become-a-member/>

If you would like to donate towards our 'fighting fund', please use the following account:

LEGAL FUND BANK ACCOUNT PAYMENT OPTION

BENDIGO BANK
ACCOUNT NAME The Vines Residents Association
BSB 633-000
ACCOUNT 187023775
REFERENCE Last Name & Street (eg: Smith – Vines Ave)

Or, donate via this QR code:

