

THE  
*Vines*  
RESIDENTS AND  
RATEPAYERS ASSOCIATION (INC)  
**The Grapevine**  
NEWSLETTER  
17 FEBRUARY 2023



## UPDATE FROM THE CHAIR

A big thank you to everyone who attended our Community Meeting on 7th February. We had almost 250 people come out to hear information about the Development Application.

For those who could not attend, we received some very useful tips from the City of Swan Planning Department which will have no doubt assisted those of us who had not yet sent in our submissions.

On that subject, **if you have not already submitted your comments on the proposed driving range, please do so as soon as possible. You have until close of business on Friday 24th February.** Remind your friends, neighbours, colleagues and everyone you know to do the same. Numbers are very important in these situations. Have a look at page 2 of this edition for ideas on items that you may wish to note in your own personal submission.

If you are not comfortable enough on a computer to consider submitting your comments to the City of Swan via their webpage or email, remember that you can write a letter and either post or deliver in person to their office in Midland. If you use the post, please allow sufficient time for your letter to arrive before the deadline.

Please also remember to sign our petition and again remind everyone you know to do the same. It may seem just a little thing, but it will make a big difference. You can scan the QR code to the right, or find the direct link, [www.change.org/StopTheVinesRedevelopment](http://www.change.org/StopTheVinesRedevelopment), via our Facebook page.

Remember that The VRRAs are always available if you need to contact us. You can use email, Facebook Messenger or the good old telephone. If something is on your mind, don't hesitate to get in touch.

Thanks everyone for your support. We are at a very important stage in our efforts to Save The Vines.



**Scan to sign  
our petition**

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# Development Application

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The Development Application relating to the concrete two- storey driving range is open for public comment on the City of Swan's website until close of business on Friday 24th February.



The City of Swan have sent letters to all residents of The Vines containing high-level information 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.

If you have not already submitted your comments, please ensure that you read all the documents which are available on the Development Application's webpage so you are fully informed when writing your submission. There is a lot of information in the various consultants reports.

You may want to consider the following:

- the compatibility of the development with its setting including, but not limited to, the likely effect of the height, bulk, scale, orientation and appearance of the development;
- the amount of traffic likely to be generated by the development;
- the amount of noise likely to be generated by the development;
- the likely effect of the development on the natural environment or water resources;
- amenity of the locality including the following: (i) environmental impacts of the development; (ii) the character of the locality; (iii) social impacts of the development;
- whether adequate provision has been made for the landscaping of the land to which the application relates and whether any trees or other vegetation on the land should be preserved;
- the impact of the development on the community as a whole rather than individuals;
- the suitability of the land for the development taking into account the possible risk to human health or safety;
- loss of sporting amenity, such as impact of the development on the golf course, as well as the practice putting greens, bunkers, and pitching area;
- any details that you consider to have been omitted from the DA report and attached documentation.

There are non-planning matters that, if you include them in your submission, won't be considered. Examples are:

- potential loss of property value;
- loss of view from your property;
- short-term impact of construction works;
- your opinion about The Vines (WA) Pty Ltd or the resort / golf club management.

In your submission you should include clear reasoning for your comments. Your submission should be in your own words - please do not just copy and paste from us or anyone else. If you have time to research online for articles or expert opinion that supports your comments, feel free to mention those and provide the website or other references in your submission.

Whilst the City of Swan prefers that you submit your comments via the Development Application's specific webpage, you can also email them, or post/deliver a physical letter to their office. If you choose an alternative method to the webpage, you must clearly state whether you agree with or object to the Development Application, and also include the correct reference number "DA6-23: The Vines Golf Course".

The addresses for emails and physical letters are as follows:

- Email: [swan@swan.wa.gov.au](mailto:swan@swan.wa.gov.au)
- Postal address: PO Box 196, Midland, WA, 6936
- Office address: 2 Midland Square, Midland

# Upcoming Event: Sunday 5th March

On the morning of Sunday 5th March we will take part in the **Clean Up Australia** event. This event 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 register for the event that will be on our Facebook page shortly.

## 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 left is an illustration of what the size looks like on a bin. **They are available for just \$5 each!**

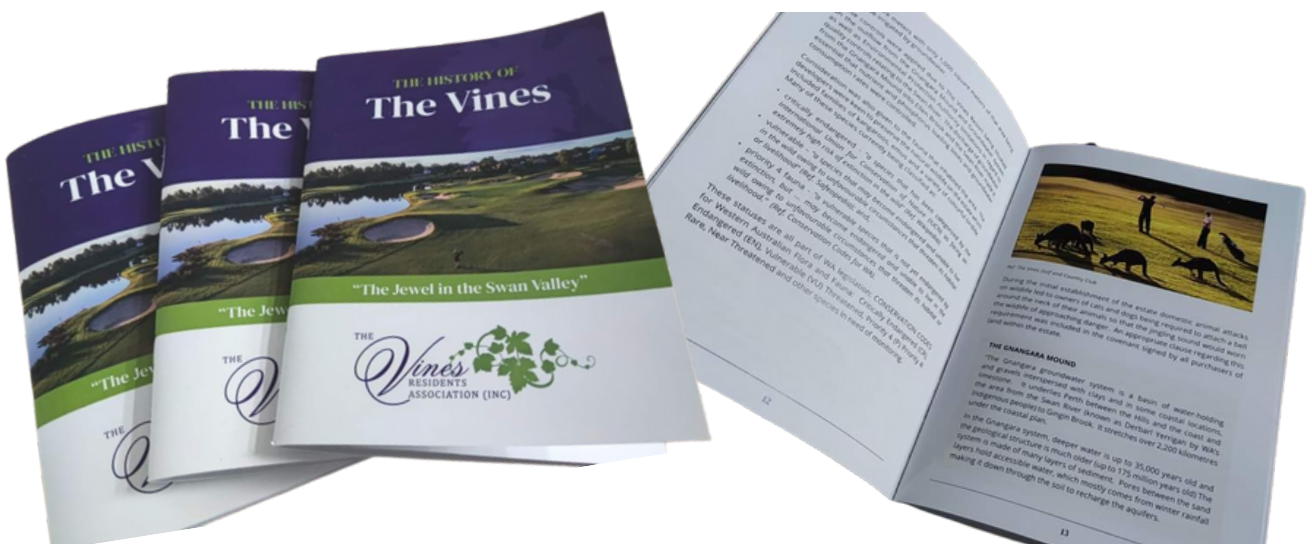
Show your support for our campaign by buying one (or two) for each of your bins.

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.

## 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 VRRRA via email [vinesresidentsassociation@gmail.com](mailto:vinesresidentsassociation@gmail.com) if you are interested in purchasing these books.



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# Containers for Change

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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

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## Renew or Donate: Payment Details

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### 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:

