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The Grapevine

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**STOP THE
DEVELOPMENT**

**SAVE
THE VINES**

UPDATE FROM THE VICE CHAIR



This hot weather has been a challenge! I hope that you are managing and staying safe.

I need to share some critically important information with you. I do so knowing that you are 'on side' with our opposition to the Redelopment Plan as proposed by The Vines (WA) Pty. Ltd (Vines WA), but we are heading for some decisive points in the battle.

The Vines WA have declared that a 'composite' 18-hole course wil open on 2 April 2024.

In detail:

- The proposed 18-hole composite course would comprise of the Ellenbrook course holes 1, 2, 12 - 18 and the Lakes course 10 - 18.
- Holes 1-9 of the Lakes course become available for the proposed short course and ambitions for a replacement driving range, although their design is not disclosed.
- Holes 3 - 11 on the Ellenbrook course appear to be no longer available for golfing. These are the same 9 holes that Vines WA stated as an area to use for housing development in their original plans publised in 2021.

MORE FROM THE VICE CHAIR

What happens to the remains of the Lakes and Ellenbrook courses is not clearly stated, but here is a logic: Holes 3- 11 on Ellenbrook cannot be reached except by moving through a playing area: We can assume they are no longer played and become redundant. Consequently, anyone wanting to play normal 18-hole golf are constrained to one course - club members, local residents and tourists. If in doubt about the Vines WA interests look at th state of the existing driving range - it's no longer maintained in a condition for golf, but stands as that area intended for lifestyle units (refer Redevelopment Plan "New Vision" on page 3)

In summary, Vines WA are proceeding with their redevelopment plans. We DO NOT believe that they have planning authority to do so. Vines WA have not applied for any of these changes, so at this stage their action must be on the assumption that they can get away with it!

On your behalf, The VRRRA are doing plenty about this. Legal, planning, media, local authority and political touch points for The VRRRA are all alerted.

Here's where you can show your support:

- Please respond to a door knocking request for support of prepared documents. We need evidence of the strength of community opposition - your signature counts!
- Attend the Member meeting at 6 pm on Monday 11 March at the Ellenbrook Christian College, 5 Santona Boulevard, Ellenbrook. Details of our campaign actions will be shared.

Against the cynics who said we would not get the first development application rejected, we did so and convincingly. That result has conditions for any future attempt. We are still fighting and expect to win again.

Finally the Cockatoo Film event is fast approaching and starts at 5.30 pm Saturday 9th March, in Chardonnay Park, Vines Avenue It is also a wonderful chance to meet some rescued cockatoos, find out about what we are doing for these critically endangered birds in The Vines itself - and catch up over a BBQ. See you ther

Thank you.

**Update provided above by Dixon
Lowe, Vice Chair as
Mark Church, Chair is away on
holidays.**



Redevelopment Plan "New Vision"



Black Cockatoo Crisis Movie Night

SAVE THE DATE FOR THE UPCOMING EVENT: BLACK COCKATOO CRISIS MOVIE NIGHT AND SAUSAGE SIZZLE

VRRA members please join us to view the Black Cockatoo Crisis movie. This award winning movie has been produced in Western Australia by Jane Hammond and highlights the threats to our endangered black cockatoos.

Dean Arthurell from Carnaby's Crusaders, will also be joining us to provide information about a recent cockatoo survey conducted in The Vines and an exciting pilot to install cockatoo nesting boxes in The Vines.



Venue: Chardonnay Park, Vines Avenue, The Vines

Time: 5.30 pm for sausage sizzle and meet the cockatoos.
6.45 pm Movie

Date: Saturday 9th March 2024

Supported by the City of Swan

Friends of The Park - Brut Park

Our Friends of The Park are pleased to advise that the watering campaign in Brut Park is paying off despite the horrid weather we have been having of late. The plants are really starting to show signs of strength and growth - even though a couple of the strugglers were lost early in the program.

We are also very pleased to see many of the locals dropping past on a Friday night or Saturday morning to have a chat and see what is happening. As a result of our continued efforts we now have had a few more of the local residents living opposite the park helping out when they can. This is what we call "Community" where we are all working towards a common goal. If you want to contribute in some way please don't hesitate to contact Robbie at 2 Classic Lane (The VRRA contact person for Brut Park) to discuss how you can help - or simply drop by on Saturday mornings from 7.30 am until approximately 8.30 am and have a chat.

There are plans afoot to hold a Saturday morning breakfast BBQ in the park for locals within the area so that they can meet like minded people who care about ensuring the health of Brut Park. We have been waiting for the weather to cool down a bit so that we can actually enjoy being in the park. Please keep an eye open for more details.

Containers for Change

The VRRRA is grateful to everyone who drops off their eligible containers so we can collect the 10c refund towards our 'fighting fund' - this has assisted us to engage experts in our fight against the redevelopment.

If you would like to help us, 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

This Month's Brain Teaser

Solve This:

$$548102 = 100$$

Add in the following mathematical symbols to the equatuon to make it correct:

(), +, -, x, / (divide by)

Dont Cheat! - Answer on next page

Answers to Brain Teasers

For those that participated in last month's brain teaser - the Answer is : 'A MAP'

(ohhh! - you can't recall the question - look back on the previous newsletter to find out

This Month's Answer

$$\underline{5x (-4+8) x (10/2) = 100}$$

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)

You can use your credit card via The VVRA
website:

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

Or, renew via this QR code:



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:

