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To. BoQ Mayor – Cr. Isabelle Tolhurst;
CC. BoQ Councillors - Cr. Michael Grout, Cr. Fleur Hewitt, Cr. Donnie Grigau, Cr. Ross Ebbels
CC. CEO BoQ - Mr. Martin Gill;
CC. Ms. Alison Marchant – State Member for Bellarine.
CC. Ms Colleen White – DELWP Regional Director South West Region

POINT LONSDALE PLAYGROUND ANNUAL TREE INSPECTION AND FENCING

In response to the email received by the Association regarding Annual Tree Inspections on the 25/11/22 from the Borough CEO the Association wishes to ask the following questions regarding the tree assessed in Point Lonsdale Playground, and the high wire fence that has subsequently appeared.

The Association is concerned that the temporary fencing erected may be breached by children wanting to use the playground anyway, perhaps causing a dangerous situation.

The Association supports the arborist's recommendations contained in his report dated the 15/11/22, and we very much want to see a safe playground for visitors/children.

1. Can the Council immediately act on the arborist's advice and provide bracing and cabling so that the playground can be opened for the upcoming summer holiday period?
2. If this is unable to be done, can the Council consider just fencing off the tree in question, so that the playground can be used?
3. We understand that DEWLP has indicated they cannot provide the necessary permission before the Christmas/Holiday period. Can this be expedited somehow?

The Association would also like to thank Council for providing the reports to the community in the first instance, along with the technical material that was used to make decisions in the interests of safety.

Yours sincerely,

David Kenwood – on behalf of Committee & members

President PLCA.

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