

YARRALUMLA RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

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Weston Park & Floriade

The YRA welcomes the announcement by the Tourism Minister, Mr Barr, that Weston Park Nursery will not now be considered as a future site for Floriade. We issued a media release expressing our concerns at traffic congestion and environmental problems that would arise when the Minister publicly mentioned the idea. We are pleased he responded so quickly. See YRA web site for details.

Molonglo-North Weston

There are a number of concerns about increased traffic flows on Cotter Road and the Parkway, and also potable water supply, arising from the Molonglo-North Weston suburban development. We will be asking the National Capital Authority and ACTPLA to advise how they plan to address these issues. The last information session will be at the Regatta Point National Capital exhibition on **Thursday 8 November** 5.30-8pm. See www.actpla.act.gov.au.

Hill Corner

We are advised ACTPLA has approved the St Nicholas preschool plans with conditions including reduction in the scale of the new building, increased setbacks, additional car parking on site, tree protection, and traffic impact statement on surrounding streets. These conditions address some of the concerns of residents who objected to the DA. Appeals must be lodged with the Administrative Appeals Tribunal by 28 October. See YRA website for updates.

Yarralumla Bay Recreation Hub

The YRA has not yet had contact with the consultants appointed by the NCA to develop a master plan for the Yarralumla Bay Recreation Hub. The area includes the lake foreshore and open land from Hopetoun Circuit to Banks Street, including the boatsheds. The YRA supports the development of the Hub for active and passive recreation, but would not like to see large and inappropriate commercial bars or clubs. See the design brief including the initial YRA submission at our web site and www.natcap.gov.au. The consultant is at www.hboemt.com.au.

Friends of the Albert Hall

The NCA will hold community and professional workshops soon on heritage, traffic and urban design issues arising from the proposal to develop the Albert Hall precinct. A heritage assessment has also been commissioned. After completion, Draft Amendment 53 will be put out again for public consultation. Friends of the Albert Hall membership is available at www.ouralberthall.com

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