

Appendix 3

ADJUNCT TO 5.1 – PUBLIC QUESTIONS STATUS UPDATE

Response to Public Question Taken on notice at Ordinary Meeting of Council held on 17 February 2021

Ordinary Meeting of Council

Wednesday 24 March 2021 at 7:000pm

Queenscliff Town Hall



23 February 2021

Mr President, QCA Via email:

Dear

PUBLIC QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

I am writing in response to your second public question that was taken on notice at the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on Wednesday 17 February 2021.

The QCA's public question reads as follows:

Public Question 4

No doubt Council have been the recipient of many pieces of correspondence on the proposed Bike Park sited at the High School site (as per Council information and survey).

It is the community understanding Council Motions supporting a Botanical Gardens are still endorsed and questions relate to why Council or its officers have promoted another project in contravention of the existing council motions, the widespread community support for open space and a powerful restatement of such goals and visions in the just completed engagement on the new Coastal Management Plan.

Can it be explained who authorised the new project initiative and how much council staff time and costs have been incurred in scoping this project and, whether any councillors have participated in assisting to action or support this proposal?

Is there scope to remove the project as specifically defined and detailed from the Council website in order to follow due process and due diligence on other possible locations within or beyond the Borough?

Further to the above, I provide the following advice.

While investigation into a possible bike park continues the information will remain on the Council website to ensure that we are being fully transparent with the community throughout the process.

Yours sincerely

Martin Gill CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER