

1 February 2022

Mr Steven White
Director Infrastructure
Whitehorse City Council
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Dear Mr White,

HEALESVILLE FREEWAY RESERVE MANAGEMENT ARRANGEMENTS

I am writing to you to express Parks Victoria's support to change land management arrangements for part of the Healesville Freeway Reserve (HFR).

As you are aware, staff from Parks Victoria, Whitehorse City Council (Council), and the Department of Environment, Land, Water and Planning (DELWP) have proactively engaged to identify potential changes to the management of parts of the HFR, where it would be logical for Council to become the Committee of Management. The areas discussed include Davy Lane Reserve, the section of Bellbird Dell Reserve currently bisected by the HFR and a section of the Morack Public Golf Course previously managed by Council.

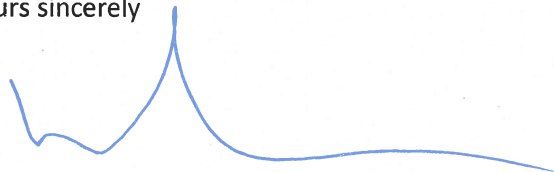
The Parks Victoria Board considered this matter at its 14 December 2021 meeting and agreed to support the proposal to transfer the management of the above parts of the HFR to Whitehorse City Council, with the change to be administered by DELWP.

This letter is provided to support Council to assist in internal decision-making in the interest of achieving logical land management responsibilities and I would welcome formal advice from you on this matter.

Parks Victoria is progressing work to transform the HFR into a public park for use and enjoyment by the local community. By working together, I believe that we can achieve an excellent outcome for the community.

Should you require further advice on this matter please contact Mark Riley, Manager Park and Waterway Policy on 8427 2876 or mark.riley@parks.vic.gov.au.

Yours sincerely



Matthew Jackson
Chief Executive Officer

cc Mr Stephen Chapple, Regional Director Port Phillip, DELWP