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Our Aim:

To clean, restore and preserve
Kananook Creek and its environment

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KCA has consistently advocated for the faithful implementation of the Kananook Creek Reserves Landscape Masterplan -Eel Race to Mile Bridge prepared by Dr Jill Orr-Young in 1997.

This remarkable document has remained relevant to this date and is the basis of all the works in these Natural Reserves by Council and by KCA.

A key recommendation was that the Kananook Creek Reserve between Station Street and Seaford Road **will be the primary focus for out-door environmental education.**

Further, the disused caravan park area would be developed into an “arboretum”. The Masterplan acknowledged that the vision conveys something more than an “arboretum” and as more suitable name might be found in the future. An opportunity to be Indigenous **Botanic Garden** could be considered.

KCA recommends:

- Dr Jill Orr Youngs vision (as per the Masterplan) should be faithfully implemented by the project. Council should not cherry pick elements out of context of a holistic vision in the Master Plan for the entire Natural Reserve
- The name **Indigenous Botanic Gardens** to be adopted - being a more accurate description of the vision (and the name recommended in the Masterplan)
- The Beckwith Grove Bridge should to be re-installed -consistent with the vision for the Indigenous Botanic Garden site.
- KCA has advocated for over a decade that this project should permanently honour the pioneering work of Allan & Yvonne Sisson in the naming of the outdoor environmental learning centre main pavilion.

Seaford was appalled at the damage to the proposed Arboretum Site and the compromises this created. The vision to be implemented should be that of Dr Jill Orr Young for creating magical public spaces. KCA does not support a compromised hybrid vision with the appointment of Rush Wright (from LXP).

** End of newsletter **

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