

TO: Christopher Lea, Mareeba Shire Council

DATE: 24 April 2024

**Re: Anzac Park :-)**

<https://kurandaregion.org/anzac-park-kuranda/>

-----Email thread #1-----

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On 24/04/2024 11:54 am, Jo Martin wrote:

Hi Christopher,

As you're probably aware I put in a negotiation with Councillors for Anzac Park (Botanical Garden) to retain the vertical wall but remove the pond.

Obviously everyone is keen to remove the water and electricity - so then I went back with - can we retain the vertical rock wall without the pond, water and electricity and plant it out with natives - see example below. This is instead of dismantling the vertical rocks and scattering them through the park.

I got a reply saying:

*I can confirm that the large rocks will remain and will be re-arranged as a feature within the fountain site, rather than relocating to other garden beds.*

I'm not sure why the 're-arranged' - which is why I'm emailing you to ask you :-)

If they are laid flat they will be climbed on and sat on and can't be planted out. If it's to flatten the whole site so there's no place to sit behind the rocks then can I suggest we plant it out with dense low growing native vegetation to prevent loitering? This would be an easy fix.

It would be a shame to ruin the vertical rock wall just because of the last few years of misbehaviour.

Your advice would be appreciated.

If you want to discuss, happy to take your call.

Kind regards,

Jo Martin

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