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Application for tree removal at former Kingswood Golf Course site

Five signs have been erected by Kingston City Council on the fences of the former Kingswood Golf Course site, owned by AustralianSuper, giving notice of a proposal to remove 12 native trees.

AustralianSuper made the application after an independent arborist identified the trees require major structural pruning or removal in order to maintain public safety on the site and for the adjoining properties. Eight of the 12 trees earmarked for removal are along the property boundary potentially impacting neighbours.

This week also marks the commencement of AustralianSuper's community drop-in sessions at the Kingswood clubhouse at Centre Dandenong Road, Dingley Village.

The project team will be available during three Thursday sessions to answer any questions and engage with the community on how they'd like to see the former Kingswood Golf Course developed.

AustralianSuper spokesperson, Sawsan Howard, said, "We look forward to spending time with the Dingley Village community, and understanding the problems we can solve together.

"AustralianSuper takes safety seriously and has a maintenance program in place to protect our contractors, neighbours and the public. The recent spate of tragic deaths and injuries around Melbourne underscore the fact that we must be vigilant with tree maintenance. We want to ensure that there are no incidents on our watch like those that have occurred at St John Vianney Church in Parkdale, Royal Parade Parkville or Monbulk Road in Sherbrook ", she said.

Contact

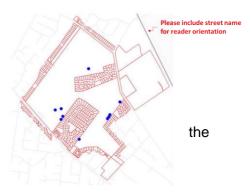
Sawsan Howard for further information on 1300 281 235, or email <u>HowardS@australiansuper.com</u>.

Background

The community drop-in session will take place weekly on Thursdays:

- 14 November, 3 6 pm
- 21 November, 4 8 pm
- 28 November, 3 6 pm.

This map highlights the location of the trees relating to application.



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