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Dear Mr Robb,

Rezoning of the Concourse Bushland, Beaumaris

The [Concourse Bushland](#), on the eastern side of Reserve Road, between Agnes Street and Moysey's Run, Beaumaris, is an area of Council-owned coastal bushland with a very distinctive local character. It is essentially an area of Manna Gum (*Eucalyptus pryoriana*) and Coastal Tea Tree (*Leptospermum laevigatum*) that presently has an anomalous Business 1 zoning.

In 2004, Council successfully initiated the re-zoning of the nearby Concourse Green from a similarly anomalous Business 1 zoning to its present Public Park and Recreation Zoning, and thus preserved the vegetated open space special to the streetscape of the Concourse.

There is constant pressure to convert public open space to other uses, but once converted such space is lost forever. Extending the protection of this vegetated strip along Reserve Road to Agnes Street will ensure the retention of a remaining part of the characteristic indigenous bushland of Beaumaris. Its high visibility on the main north-south road in Beaumaris re-inforces the appeal of this classic piece of Beaumaris landscape.

The Society submits that Council should take the necessary steps to having the Concourse Bushland rezoned as Public Park and Recreation with an appropriate name, such as the Concourse Bushland, to reflect its environmental significance. We would appreciate being informed of Council's view of this proposal, please.

Yours sincerely,

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cc: Crs Simon Russell and Michael Norris