Fossil Bluff Reserve - Proposed Area Usage

This proposal has been prepared after preliminary discussions between Waratah-Wynyard Council and Wynyard Landcare representatives at Fossil Bluff.

The aim of this meeting was to discuss the uses of different areas of the Fossil Bluff reserve that are Council leased from Crown.

The six areas for discussion have been identified on the following diagram. Also discussed was how to move forward from the agreed actions.

Identified was:

- the requirement for funding for council sponsored capital works, any works requiring funding will be put forward for capital works funding in the next financial year.
- Time allowed for Council to propagate as many of the plants required
- Council wish to retain areas that can be serviced by mowers / slashers as open land. Planting areas restricted to the steeper areas where mowers can't access.

Area 1:

• Currently grown over with boobialla, blackberry etc. Plan forward to slash with arm mounted mower during spring/summer slashing season then re-assess.

Area2:

- This area was recently cleared out due to the area being sprayed by unknown persons killing the majority of the vegetation.
- Some of this area will be made into garden bed, the remainder sown with lawn

Area 3:

- Currently this area is vegetated but is very overgrown & unsightly, but the area may be salvageable with some careful pruning
- Suggestion was made that the pruning could be undertaken by TAFE students if this isn't possible vegetation removal & re-planting to occur

Area 4:

 Suggested by the Landcare members that a 1-meter wide garden bed could be installed, this would alleviate issues with mowing against a rock wall that has a 1meter drop to the adjacent path. Spray program before implementation before planting.

Area5:

- Contains a lot of old declining small trees, Kunzea, Melaleuca etc.
- Prune to salvage what is possible however removal, weed control & re-planting may be a viable option.

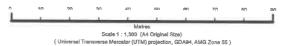
Area6:

- Very untidy area also very steep.
- Plan forward to assess how much & how often we can safely slash / mow with arm
 mounted mower during spring/summer slashing season. There is also some scope
 for ride on mowers to slightly increase the amount of mowing they can safely do.
 Any areas that we can't reach will be offered up for appropriate planting.



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FOSSIL BLUFF PLANTING LOCATIONS



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