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From: Waters Kerry
Sent: Tuesday, 10 December 2013 9:30 AM
To: brooke.hargraves@ministerial.qld.gov.au
Cc: troy.collings@ministerial.qld.gov.au; Black Jon
Subject: FW: Charters Towers flying fox Facebook message

Brooke/Troy

Five more comments since close of business last night. My thoughts are to post this as a comment. Not engage in any debate.

Your thoughts?

Thanks

Kerry

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From: Michaels Paul
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To: Waters Kerry
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Kerry,

Amended version

Charters Towers Regional Council began work on Monday 9 December to disperse a problem flying-fox roost in in Lissner Park.

The Council has for many years tried to manage the flying-fox roost in Lissner Park, and to aid in their efforts in this regard, recently sought the use of a helicopter (if required) to create a barrier to the movement of the flying-foxes.

It is important to note that it is a requirement that the aircraft will not be used in a manner that will injure the animals.

A vet will be on call during the dispersal as a precaution and EHP officers will also monitor the dispersal.

There has been a long history of problems with the Lissner Park flying-fox colony and the animals have caused significant inconvenience for townspeople for many years.

Previous attempts to disperse the animals, through methods such as trimming roost vegetation, have had limited success.

For more information about EHP's flying fox management plan

<http://www.ehp.qld.gov.au/wildlife/livingwith/flyingfoxes/roost-management.html>

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