

Once again thank you for taking the time to write to me to reiterate the concerns of the Lake Hugh Muntz group as previously raised.

Having personally swum, paddled and provided water safety to Nobby's Nippers over several seasons (although not recently) I acknowledge the number of sporting groups / clubs who chose to utilise Lake Hugh Muntz as an alternative training environment.

As you have stated in your correspondence the City of Gold Coast is working with Griffith University Professors (experts in their field) to assess feasible options for the lake and provide recommendations. I am dedicated to evidence-based decision making and responsible allocation of rate payers funds, whatever the issue.

I will endeavour to work with The Lake Hugh Muntz community group to investigate ideas that have merit, whilst weighing up the different needs for lake residents, sporting groups / clubs as well as environmental considerations. There are always ways for improvement with safety being paramount. In collaboration with the Lake Hugh Muntz Community Group we will aim to deliver the best management options that balance both the lake residents needs with the wider community needs.

In looking towards the next 4 years as discussed with yourself and I would strongly advocate for a possible phoslock top up (if effective), phoslock and sandcapping treatment (following effective trials), a trial of a frog flap or duckbill flap at the lake outlet, addressing run off from parks and the addition of catchers to lawn mowing undertaken around the lake.

I trust the above is of assistance and addresses the questions raised.

Regards

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