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SUBJECT: URGENT! Glenlee Acquisition - 80 Boronia Street, Lugarno (High Importance)

Dear General Manager, Georges River Council,
Mayor Greene, Georges River Council,
Mark Coure, MP,
Hon. David Coleman, MP,
Georges River Councillors,

As a resident of [your suburb], Georges River Council LGA, I am writing you to express my strong support for the acquisition of Glenlee, Lugarno and my opposition to DA2021/0181 - subdivision of the Glenlee historical site into a 31 lot development.

This past 11 October, Georges River Council's Environment and Planning Committee members unanimously endorsed the adoption of the Local Infrastructure Contributions Plan 2021 - Section 7.11 and Section 7.12 - with the following amendment:

- f) That the General Manager investigate, analyse and model the purchase of Glenlee through development contributions, other external and internal funding sources and submit a separate report to Council.

I request:

1. That Georges River Council fully supports the above amendment to investigate and report on the purchase of Glenlee without delay, and that its compulsory acquisition is accomplished as a matter of urgency following the 25 October Council meeting.
2. That the NSW Government and Australian Government commit to securing funds to assist Georges River Council with the purchase of Glenlee.

Glenlee is a culturally and ecologically significant site with a multitude of valuable benefits for Georges River Council and community including: natural water filtration of Lugarno stormwater runoff into the Georges River system; existing carbon sequestration thanks to old growth trees and undisturbed soil; Indigenous and Early Settler heritage; logical extension to Gannons Park and the Oatley to Lugarno foreshore corridor - supporting the initiative and vision of the Georges River Foreshore Access and Improvement Plan - March 2021; existing

tree canopy and green cover for Greater Sydney's initiative *NSW Greening Our City*; opportunity for the location of a community facility in Peakhurst Ward, where none currently exists.

These are only a few examples of Glenlee's value, existing and potential, to the Georges River community and will be lost forever if Georges River Council, the NSW Government and the Australian Government *do not* take action to acquire and purchase the site. Glenlee is irreplaceable.

The community has demonstrated overwhelming engagement and concern over the past several months to acquire and preserve the Glenlee site through public exhibit submissions, parliamentary and local MP petitions, with signatures numbering in the 1000s. The community's voice and determination deserve the combined commitment and action of the Georges River Council, the NSW Government and Australian Government to investigate and secure funds for its purchase.

Yours faithfully,

[Your full name]

[Your postal address & telephone number]