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Dear Mr Savio

Proposed relocation of Flying Foxes from Royal Botanic Gardens, Sydney

An 'In principle' agreement was given by Ku-ring-gai Council on 27 October 2008 to accept Flying Foxes relocated from the Royal Botanic Gardens (RBG) to the Gordon camp.

Subsequent to this, changes to the previous S91 Application have altered Ku-ring-gai Council's understanding of this relocation.

The current application identifies the Ku-ring-gai Flying Fox Reserve at Gordon as the sole alternative camp that has agreed to accept relocated Flying Foxes. This was not the circumstance in which agreement was given. While the Gordon camp is suitable to accept some relocated Flying Foxes, consensus between staff and the Ku-ring-gai Bat Conservation Society is that the reserve is not considered suitable to receive the entire potential number of Flying Foxes inhabiting the Royal Botanic Gardens, at the time of the disturbance.

Ku-ring-gai Council would agree to accept relocated Flying Foxes at Gordon if the RBG can gain support from land managers of appropriate Flying Fox camps in other areas.

To discuss this issue please contact David Wilks, Ku-ring-gai Council's Environment Officer on 9424 0800.

Yours sincerely

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