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Important Notice: Temporary Shutdown to Prevent Spread of Covid-19

Westgate Biodiversity will temporarily close all public sites, including the nursery and park compound, to volunteers from Monday March 23. All public events and outreach have also ceased effective immediately.

The safety and well-being of our employees, customers, partners and communities is our top priority. We are taking these steps as a public health precaution, following advice to prevent the spread of COVID -19, especially for those in our community who are most vulnerable. We are committed to providing support for all of our employees and volunteers during this unprecedented crisis and challenging period.

Westgate Biodiversity has many volunteers who are in high risk groups, and must do everything possible to prevent spread within our organisation.

We are closely monitoring the rapidly evolving coronavirus (COVID-19) situation in Australia. Due to the rapidly changing nature of this situation, we will not announce a reopening date at this time, but will be providing updates via our website, email and social media.

There will be limited exceptions for those who need to access our sites. Without prior approval no volunteers, staff or public are permitted to attend any Westgate Biodiversity site. If you need access please contact Nic on 0401790423 or <u>Nic@westgatebiodiversity.org.au</u>

For more information or the latest update on COVID-19, please refer to the Department of Health website <u>https://www.health.gov.au/news/health-alerts/novel-coronavirus-2019-ncov-health-alert</u> or call the Coronavirus Health Information Line on 1800 020 080. Announced on 10 March 2020.

Yours sincerely,

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