



## Media Release

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### **Fairfield Residents Duded by State Government**

Fairfield and Yeronga residents are being duded by the Newman State Government, with the State failing to transfer the old RSPCA site to Council as parkland.

Councillor Johnston said for three years she had been calling for the site to be converted to parkland but the Newman Government had not transferred the land.

“Then Lord Mayor, now Premier Newman, supported the handover of the land to Council. The transfer has not happened and now the State wants to sell part of the land for profit,” Councillor Johnston said.

“The RSPCA site is flood prone and should be returned to the community as parkland for sporting and recreational purposes not sold off to the highest bidder for development.”

Councillor Johnston said the sweetheart deal between the Lord Mayor, Graham Quirk, and Premier, Campbell Newman, regarding the Balmoral State High School Oval clearly demonstrated that LNP mates were only interested in playing politics in the lead up to the Federal election.

“Within a matter of days the transfer of land from the State to Council is announced at Balmoral while Fairfield residents have had to wait for three years on the RSPCA site. It is not good enough.”

In 2010 Brisbane City Council unanimously supported a motion to transfer the RSPCA site on the corner of Fairfield and Venner Rd to Council and remediate the site for sport and recreation purposes.

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