

## **SUBMISSION – BELLARINE PENINSULA DISTINCTIVE AREA AND LANDSCAPE**

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Under the vision for the next 50 years : strategic infrastructure and responsible tourism I would like to suggest the following :

That the Lake Lorne, Drysdale area be redeveloped sympathetically to encourage locals and tourists to enjoy the surrounds. It is used at present for biking, walking, play area for children and a meeting place for passengers travelling on the tourist trains (including the Blues and Q train).

There is at present a temporary coffee van set up in the vicinity of the children's play area that operates in the morning hours. This van is used prolifically and is used as a meeting area for people who have engaged in the activities around the lake area.

I would like to propose that a permanent café overlooking the lake near to the railway station be built. This could be around the corner in Reserve Road area with a view to protecting the local birdlife as well as providing scenic views for patrons.

My husband and I have visited Bendigo often and have enjoyed the area around Lake Weeroona, it has a community atmosphere. Locals walk around the lake, children play in the allocated areas and many enjoy coffee, lunch etc at the café/restaurant overlooking the lake. This could be duplicated at Lake Lorne.

Drysdale town has a lot to offer but it is often overlooked for seaside towns close by. If a café was built it would only encourage tourists to stop off and enjoy the local scenery, history and the activities that the Lake area has to offer as well as providing enjoyment for locals.