

Media Release



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African Olive removal at Herberts Hill Reserve

The removal of weeds on Herberts Hill Reserve in Elderslie will begin next month as part of the plan of management for the historic site.

Dense patches of African Olive will be eradicated from the property, including those along the fence line of Camden Valley Way and surrounding Rheinberger's Cottage.

"The African Olive is a woody weed that lives for a long time and is easily spread across bushland, inhibiting the growth of native plants," said Mayor Lara Symkowiak.

"When these plants are removed, this significant heritage property will be easy to see from the road and surrounding areas," Cr Symkowiak said.

"The property and cottage are an important landmark in our area and honour the pioneering history of the district," she said.

The weed removal program will begin 4 June and is part of the Herberts Hill Reserve Plan of Management, which includes long term plans for formal paths and a community garden to encourage use of the public space.

Native groundcovers and small shrubs will be planted in Spring to replace the weeds.

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