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Mr Marcus Vermey MP
Liberal Member for Clark

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Dear Mr Vermey

Thank you for your question in Parliament and for your interest in how families can best enjoy our Royal Tasmanian Botanical Gardens.

There are some exciting developments planned to make the Gardens even more appealing for children, young people and families.

A major new attraction will be the Children's Maze, which is currently being established using around 400 cedar trees.

Once completed, the maze will provide a fun and interactive space where children can explore, learn and play while enjoying the natural environment. The maze is expected to open in Autumn 2028, allowing time for the trees to mature and establish strong root systems.

The maze is among several family-focused improvements for the Gardens.

Planning is also underway for new gathering spaces, providing welcoming areas where families can relax and enjoy time together in the Gardens.

Other enhancements include the refurbishment of the Food Garden and the construction of a new feature glasshouse to replace the existing Fuchsia House. These improvements will create new opportunities for education, exploration and engagement with plants and nature.

The developments build on significant recent investments at the Gardens, including the newly renovated kiosk and restaurant, which offer family-friendly amenities and a range of child-friendly menu options.

I appreciate your ongoing interest in the Gardens and the promotion of this fantastic asset in your electorate.

Yours sincerely

Hon Nick Duigan MLC
Minister for Parks and Heritage