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Dear Mr Fogarty

**Marine Rescue - Point Danger (Training Facilities) & Public Toilets  
Crown Reserve 57974**

I refer to your email dated 2 December 2011 with regards to the above premises and your enquiry as to what Council considers "significant upgrade works" required and the estimated cost of repair.

The building is considered to no longer be fit for purpose being near the end of its life span. The roof requires replacing with internal repair/replacement of the ceiling/wall linings due to water damage. Over the last weekend rain waters have penetrated the roof cavity resulting in pooling of waters causing the ceiling to sag and short-circuiting of electrical equipment. The exterior is showing signs of salt erosion. The fascias, eaves and gutters require repair/replacement and painting. Windows are the subject of ongoing repair due to vandalism, currently the main windows have been temporarily boarded up. The internal fittings and fixtures are in need of repair/replacement. The estimated cost to upgrade the building and surrounds is considered to be within the range of \$100 000 to \$200 000.

Council considers it an inappropriate use of a substantial amount of public funds to upgrade the facility in light of the tenure arrangements and condition of the building. Whilst further assessment of the ongoing safe occupation of the structure needs to be investigated it is considered that the occupation of the building in the future medium term, being 3 to 5 years as indicated by you, may not be available.

As to your enquiry into the annual amount of rent paid by Marine Rescue Point Danger to the Trust, it is \$100.

Should you wish to discuss any of the above matters further please contact myself on 02 6670 2622.

Yours faithfully

**Doreen Harwood**  
**CO-ORDINATOR ENVIRONMENT AND HEALTH**

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