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Castle Drive Fig Tree Update

Ballina Shire Council suspended the removal of the fig tree on Castle Drive last Tuesday after the discovery of duck eggs deep within the tree.

National Park and Wildlife provided Council with a licence to remove the eggs. Council engaged a licenced fauna consultant who today collected and successfully relocated the eggs to another duck nest. Remote monitoring of the duck nest will be undertaken.

Now that the duck eggs have been relocated Council has recommenced removal of the fig tree.

During these final stages a licenced fauna consultant is onsite to monitor the presence of other native wildlife. A representative from Jali Aboriginal Land Council is also onsite.

The reasons for the fig tree removal and other alternatives that have been explored is outlined in a factsheet that can be downloaded from Council's website ***ballina.nsw.gov.au***

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