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Tabled by: CR. GRIFFITHS

Chairperson of Council

Dear Councillor Griffiths

I am writing to you regarding the planned natural waterway rehabilitation works to Stable Swamp Creek through Fauna Parade Park, Rocklea.

As you may be aware Council's annual budget has allocated \$1 million over 2023-24 and 2024-25 to support this project including vegetation management, desilting and widening of the channel to assist with flood mitigation.

As the northern bank of the creek in this section is largely in Council's ownership and the southern bank of the creek in the western section is entirely owned by the State Government, it was agreed that the project be 50% co-funded by the State Government.

Unfortunately, Council has been unable to secure this funding from the State Government. In a meeting between Council and State Officers in October 2023 it was advised that funding support for this project has been cut from the State Budget.

I am writing to you to seek your assistance in advocating to the State Government, including the local State Member, to re-instate State funding for this project so that these works can be delivered for the Rocklea community.

Yours sincerely

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25 October 2024

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Dear Councillor Griffiths

I am writing to you in response to your query to the Lord Mayor of 3 October 2024 regarding the planned natural waterway rehabilitation works to Stable Swamp Creek at Fauna Parade Park, Rocklea. The Lord Mayor has referred this matter to me as Civic Cabinet Chair for Environment, Parks and Sustainability.

As we have previously discussed, Council Officers advise me that the work on both sides of the creek needs to be undertaken at once (ie the Council and State owned land) to ensure maximum benefit from the works. I can advise that Officers from NEWS have continued to engage with State landowners, however, as you are aware, no agreement has yet been reached. The Lord Mayor and I recognise the strong community support to undertake the work which is why funding was allocated to the Council component of land holdings for two consecutive budgets.

In the meantime, I encourage you to continue to advocate to your State Government colleagues to secure State funding for this project.

Yours sincerely

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