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Dear Mr Foster

Sewerage provisions adjacent to Kenwick Train Station

In my recent submission dated 26 October, I made mention of the City's concerns about the use of septic tanks adjacent to the environmentally sensitive Brixton Street Wetlands.

Further to this, I note that the Environmental Protection Authority (EPA) has just released a public advice document which aims to enhance the long term protection of these wetlands.

Please find attached a copy of the letter, which links to the associated advice.

This EPA advice supports the City's view about the environmental importance of the Brixton Street Wetlands and, I believe the City's view that action should be taken to prevent the potential for septic systems to overflow and for sewerage to seep into the wetlands.

Yours faithfully

Ian Cowie PSM

Chief Executive Officer

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Environmental Protection Authority

Mr Ian Cowie Chief Executive Officer City of Gosnells Our Ref: DWERVT10339 Enquiries: Wendy Thompson

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Dear Ian

Today the Environmental Protection Authority (EPA) will release public advice that aims to enhance the long-term protection of the Greater Brixton Street Wetlands.

This advice, published under Section 16 of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986* (EP Act), recognises the significance of these wetlands and the potential risks to environmental values from existing and emerging pressures.

The EPA has provided its advice to protect the environmental values of the Greater Brixton Street Wetlands and to set out its expectations for proposals and planning schemes that have the potential to impact the wetlands.

You have been identified as a stakeholder in this biodiverse area and I invite you to read the advice HERE.

Yours sincerely

Prof. Matthew Tonts

CHAIR, ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AUTHORITY

26 October 2022