



Inquiry into annual and financial reports 2024–25

Answer to question on notice

Asked by: Mr Thomas Emerson MLA

Addressed to: Minister for Planning and Sustainable Development

Redirected to: Craig Gillman, Chief Executive Officer, City Renewal Authority

Reference: City Renewal Authority Annual Report 2024-25

Hearing: 10 November 2025

In relation to: Acton Waterfront Development

Question received: 14 November 2025

Answer Due: 25 November 2025

Does the City Renewal Authority have any plans or work underway to address water quality issues in Lake Burley Griffin as a part of the Acton Waterfront neighbourhood development.

The answer to the Member's question is as follows:

The City Renewal Authority is currently progressing design development for the Acton Waterfront neighbourhood. This work is focused on establishing the guiding principles for the precinct's design and delivery, with a strong emphasis on environmental and sustainable outcomes.

The design will ensure the neighbourhood is planned to support water quality management and protect the ecological health of Lake Burley Griffin. Some of the measures planned include:

- stormwater harvesting, treatment and reuse systems to protect Lake Burley Griffin water quality and reduce reliance on potable water for irrigation
- permeable surfaces and rain gardens to facilitate natural infiltration, reduce runoff, and improve water quality before it reaches Lake Burley Griffin
- bioswales and constructed wetlands to manage stormwater
- streetscape planters to capture stormwater

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- potential for the introduction of aquatic planted edges to the lake to assist in water quality improvement and create water edge habitat.

As the design for Acton Waterfront Neighbourhood progresses through the next stages of planning and delivery, we will continue to keep Lake Burley Griffin water quality and the sustainability of the precinct as a whole as a key delivery priority.

Approved for circulation to the Standing Committee on Environment and Planning

Signature:



Date: 20 November 2025

By Chief Executive Officer, City Renewal Authority, Craig Gillman