



Standing Committee on Environment, Climate Change and Biodiversity

Inquiry into Annual and Financial Reports 2022-2023 **ANSWER TO QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE**

Asked by Mr Ed Cocks MLA on 13 November 2023: Mr Shane Rattenbury took on notice the following question(s):

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In relation to: Healthy Waterways – Wanniasa

MR COCKS: Just a quick one on Sullivans Creek, and in the annual report it refers to commencing work to develop a vision for Sullivans Creek scoping renaturalisation opportunities. Now, is this going to deliver a better result than some of the other renaturalised creeks such as in Wanniasa is one that has been brought up with me.

Mr Rattenbury: What is your concern with the Wanniasa, Mr Cocks? I am just not familiar.

MR COCKS: It has been brought up as an example where it has not gone as well as the community would have liked to see.

Mr Rattenbury: Just so that I am clear to answer your question effectively, what is the concern of what did not work?

MR COCKS: I am afraid I do not have the details there in front of me.

Mr Rattenbury: Maybe the officials have that feedback.

Mr Burkevics: No, I am not aware of any adverse sort of community feedback in terms of that asset, Mr Cocks. I think good design, of course, and good community engagement always leads to good planning, and this has been very, very clear with us to ensure that there has been high levels of effective community consultation. We did learn a lot through the Belconnen Wetlands. I am not aware of anything through Wanniasa in particular.

MR COCKS: Maybe we can provide some more information on that question on notice.

Mr Rattenbury: Yes, certainly.

Mr Shane Rattenbury MLA: The answer to the Member's question is as follows:—

The Environment, Planning and Sustainable Development Directorate has reviewed their records about the Wanniasa Healthy Waterways raingarden and has identified no reports of community concern.

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By the Minister for Water, Energy, and Emissions Reduction, Mr Shane Rattenbury MLA.