



Standing Committee on Public Accounts

Inquiry into Annual and Financial Reports 2021-2022 **ANSWER TO QUESTION ON NOTICE**

Asked by Ms Nicole Lawder MLA:

Reference: Hearing on 4 November 2022, Annual Report of Treasury.

In relation to:

How is Icon Water going to ensure that the proposed development by the Molonglo Group at Dairy Road is not going to require major works or the re location of the Fyshwick Sewerage Treatment Plant?

Andrew Barr MLA: I have sought advice from Icon Water and their answer to the Member's question is as follows:–

The Dairy Road development area has been subject to a number of planning studies to assess the compatibility of land-uses in the surrounding areas. These studies were used to inform the Territory Plan variation 377 which outlined future permissible uses for the Dairy Road site, in-line with current legislative and regulatory requirements.

Icon Water was consulted through these planning studies and the territory plan variation process and provided input around the operation of the Fyshwick Sewage Treatment Plant (FSTP) and future plans for the site. This was incorporated into the assessment of the proposal and the identification of required planning controls that would need to be put in place for the development to proceed.

Icon Water continues to manage the operation of the FSTP in line with regulatory requirements to minimize impacts on adjacent landholders in the area. As a referral entity, Icon Water also has a role in identifying issues with development proposals through the statutory approvals processes. This, along with continual engagement with ACT Government planning agencies around development encroachment issues, allows risks to be minimised for ongoing operations on the FSTP site.

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Signature:

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By the Acting Treasurer, Yvette Berry MLA