

Letter via Minister's webform 28/10/19

Subject

Completion of Wolli Creek Regional Park Update

Type of Enquiry

comment

Message

Dear Ms Pavey

I am writing to stress our continuing opposition to Sydney Water's proposed location for its Odour Control Unit (OCU) at Unwin St Earlwood, about which I wrote to you on 19 August 2019.

On 24 October, Sydney Water gave a presentation to Wolli Creek Preservation Society representatives about the final concept design for the OCU. While having a marginally smaller footprint than originally proposed, its impact would be even greater. Three slides from that presentation, with our notes added, are attached. The contrast with the current view from the existing Two Valley Trail (attached) is stark.

In subsequent discussion of the presentation, it was apparent that Sydney Water had not adequately considered the possibility of acquiring the block on which sits the isolated house that would be affected by our alternative proposal, which were set out in my earlier letter to you. Three vacant blocks adjacent to this block are also in public hands and could readily allow for any buffering and screening needed by the industrial pipes and tanks that Sydney Water seeks to install.

I believe that it is not appropriate to leave decisions of such political sensitivity (impacts on a great public space and generations of walkers vs those on residents;) to be determined by Sydney Water's engineers and ask again for your intervention to prevent this social and environmental mistake being made.

Yours sincerely
Gina Svolos

President, Wolli Creek Preservation Society