



Metropolitan Region Scheme (MRS) Amendment 1377/57 - Forrestfield North Environmental Conservation Areas

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on MRS Amendment 1377/57, Forrestfield North Conservation Areas. The City has invested significantly in the local structure planning process in the Forrestfield North project area and subsequently ensuring the environmental values within the area are appropriately protected at the highest level through MRS reservation.

The Forrestfield North Residential Precinct Local Structure Plan (LSP), approved by the WAPC on 27 July 2020, identifies portions of land that contain significant biodiversity values as Environmental Conservation. The Strategic Conservation Management Plan and Agreement prepared as supporting documents to the LSP outline the mechanisms to be put in place to enable protection of the environmental values in the area. This includes the reservation of the areas identified as Environmental Conservation under the LSP to be zoned under the MRS as Parks and Recreation.

The City appreciates the level of support and coordination from the relevant State Agencies in facilitating the mechanisms in which the values are to be protected. The City supports the initiation of the MRS Amendment, content of the Amendment Report and recommends the MRS Amendment is progressed as a matter of priority to achieve the intended environmental protection of Environmental Conservation land, to align with the approved Residential Precinct LSP and to provide landowners with greater certainty on the future of their land.

In regards to the portion of land that is proposed to be rezoned from Rural to Urban under the MRS. The City requests a concurrent Local Planning Scheme No. 3 (LSP3) Amendment to rezone this portion of land from Special Rural to Urban Development.

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