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Dear Ms Hardy

# DECISION UNDER SECTION 48A(1)(a) Environmental Protection Act 1986

SCHEME	City of Kalamunda Local Planning Scheme 3 Amendment 104
LOCATION	Cambridge Reserve, Forrestfield
<b>RESPONSIBLE AUTHORITY</b>	City of Kalamunda
DECISION	Referral Examined, Preliminary Investigations and Inquiries Conducted. Scheme Amendment Not to be Assessed Under Part IV of the EP Act. Advice Given. (Not Appealable)

Thank you for referring the above scheme to the Environmental Protection Authority (EPA).

After consideration of the information provided by you, the EPA considers that the proposed scheme should not be assessed under Part IV Division 3 of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986* (EP Act) but nevertheless provides the attached advice and recommendations. I have also attached a copy of the Chairman's determination of the scheme.

Please note the following:

- For the purposes of Part IV of the EP Act, the scheme is defined as an assessed scheme. In relation to the implementation of the scheme, please note the requirements of Part IV Division 4 of the EP Act.
- There is no appeal right in respect of the EPA's decision to not assess the scheme.

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A copy of the Chairman's determination, this letter and the attached advice and recommendations will be made available to the public via the EPA website.

Yours sincerely

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Anthony Sutton Delegate of the Environmental Protection Authority Executive Director EPA Services

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Encl. Chairman's Determination Scheme Advice and Recommendations

# ADVICE UNDER SECTION 48A(1)(a) ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION ACT 1986

# City of Kalamunda Local Planning Scheme 3 Amendment 104

**Location:** Cambridge Reserve in Forrestfield

Determination: Scheme Not Assessed – Advice Given (not appealable)

## Determination Published: 21 September 2020

#### Summary

The City of Kalamunda proposes to zone a portion of Cambridge Reserve in Forrestfield to Urban Development. The zoning will facilitate the Cambridge Reserve Community Enhancement Project which aims to deliver local open space improvements, an aged care facility, residential development, roads and supporting infrastructure.

The Environmental Protection Authority (EPA) has considered the scheme amendment in accordance with the requirements of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986* (EP Act). The EPA considers that the scheme amendment is unlikely to have a significant effect on the environment and does not warrant formal assessment under Part IV of the EP Act. The EPA has based its decision on the documentation provided by the City of Kalamunda. Having considered this matter the following advice is provided.

#### **Environmental Factors**

The EPA has identified the following preliminary environmental factors relevant to this scheme amendment:

- Flora and Vegetation
- Terrestrial Fauna

## Advice and Recommendations regarding Environmental Factors

#### Flora and Vegetation and Terrestrial Fauna

Cambridge Reserve contains occurrences of Threatened Ecological Communities, black cockatoo habitat, and a stormwater catchment basin which may provide a water source for fauna. The EPA notes the City of Kalamunda has worked with the Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions to develop a concept development plan to retain, protect and enhance the environmental values of the reserve and locate development in areas of degraded vegetation.

The EPA recommends fauna habitat trees within the development footprint be retained where possible and bushfire mitigation measures are contained within the development footprint.

## Conclusion

The EPA concludes the scheme amendment can be managed to meet the EPA's environmental objectives through the implementation of the concept plan, as resolved by Council on 25 August 2020, existing planning controls and regulated through other statutory processes. The EPA recommends its advice is implemented to avoid and mitigate potential impacts to Flora and Vegetation and Terrestrial Fauna.