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Submission: Dear Sir,

I am increasingly frustrated by Hunter Water's lack of any action or interest in meeting their obligations to provide sewerage services. Despite repeated efforts, Hunter Water continue to fail to provide any workable solution to enable delivery of priority backlog sewerage services in the MCC local area. MCC also appear increasingly frustrated by Hunter Water's lack of action towards a workable resolution for the provision of priority backlog sewerage services in the MCC local area.

As you may be aware there have been a number of priority backlog areas in MCC for many years (including my area along Morpeth Road in Raworth). Given the number of small lot sizes interspersed, poor hygiene issues and the proximity of the area to Hunter River tributaries the Raworth area remains a high priority. There are 52 residential lots in Raworth that require sewer services with an estimated capital cost of \$3.1M.

Hunter Water continue to avert all responsibility by referring me to new methodology for funding capital costs set out in the most recent IPART determination.

It remains wholly impractical and unacceptable for Hunter Water to expect that I, a single resident, should have to take on the responsibilities of a developer to coordinate a \$3.1m project with 52 landowners. The provision of these services is core business for Hunter Water - not private individuals - yet Hunter Water have no interest in provision.

In the current COVID-19 recovery environment it strikes me that these types of capital infrastructure projects are exactly the types of government spending that should be leading the economic recovery.

Regards

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