

To:- IPART

Attn: Hugo Harmstorf , Chief Executive Officer

The Executive Committee  
Avondale Springs Estate  
Freemans Drive  
Cooranbong

Ref: DA 714/2014

We The Executive Committee of Avondale Springs Estate, representing the owners of deposited Plan 270155, 616-638 Freemans Drive and Deposited Plan 28551, 4 - 27 Sabrina Place, strongly object to Development Application 714/2014, for Cooranbong Water Pty Ltd Sewage Treatment Plant at 617 Freemans Drive for the following reasons:-

1. Locating a Sewerage Treatment Plant so close to existing residences means these residents will have all the problems associated with any uncontrolled releases of effluent from this site, no matter whatever conditions are placed on it. Will the actual flows from said Plant exceed those for which it is designed? We therefore suggest if it has to be built the Development be placed at the Northern end of the Watagan Park site. This area is better suited as it will be within the area for which it is to service also given the area is more rural and is better suited to handle any spills/overflows than the more densely populated low lying Freemans Drive proposed site.
2. We have great concerns for ourselves and the residents in the surrounding area with regard to the operating environment of the site; this is in regard to noise and odours which will most certainly be present, also the traffic movements to and from Freemans Drive. We are also greatly concerned about the impact on our lake which is fed by inflows under Freemans Drive from the wetland adjacent the proposed site, also there is the impact of having this plant just across the road from us.
3. The rain we had last Week 21st to 23rd April resulted in the lake on our Estate being inundated with so much run off it rose level to the road in Sabrina Place, given that much of the inflows to our lake come from the area of Cooranbong adjacent to the proposed site What would be the impact on our Estate. During this event the whole area lost mains power so how would this plant cope during such an event which are likely to happen again

4. We also refer you to the letter to LMCC from Hunter Water Reference Number 2007-94/23/23.005 Dated 5th June and in particular points 10-14:-

Which points out that "Cooranbong Water have indicated that from time to time the need may arise to discharge either excess treated waste water or in the event that their treatment plant is offline, discharge untreated sewerage to Hunter Water's network." The letter states that "Hunter Water will assist where possible. The operational status of Hunter Water infrastructure at the time of the request will influence the ability of Hunter Water in this regard." Further the letter states that "Hunter Water is not able to offer a standing arrangement that can be called upon at will by Cooranbong Waste to discharge excess treated or untreated sewerage." Hunter Water also states that there may be road tankering of waste to their Dora Creek facility.

5. In view of all of the above we Strongly urge you to reject this proposal

Regards.

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