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Dear Mr Reid

SUBJECT >> Request Drain Construction Information – Charters Towers Road, Hermit Park

Thank you for your enquiry received 5 November 2019 regarding information on the Hermit Park Drain. This information relates to the concrete lined drain which extends upstream (east) from Charters Towers Road to Campbell Street, Hermit Park.

Your questions are answered below.

When was it constructed?

The current concrete lined configuration of the drain was constructed around 1976.

Purpose of its construction

The purpose of constructing the concrete lined drain was to formalise the existing open drain and improve the drainage of this area of Hermit Park. This included the construction of a number of underground pipe systems, which drain into the concrete lined section. Formalising the drain also allowed land either side of the drain to be subdivided.

What existed prior to construction of the Hermit Park Drain?

The area was a natural drainage feature and the low point in the area, which drained this portion of Hermit Park. See attached figures showing the area in 1938, 1971 before construction, 1981 after construction and now (2016).

What function does the Hermit Park Drain perform?

The function of this drain is to allow drainage of this area of Hermit Park. A number of underground pipe systems drain into this waterway.

Why was the Hermit Park Drain constructed in its present location?

This area was an existing open drain which was reconfigured by concrete lining and reshaping the drain. The location of the drain was not necessarily 'chosen', it is the low point in this area.

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Thank you for taking the time to raise your concerns with council and I trust this information is of assistance. Should you wish to discuss this issue further, please contact council's Stormwater Engineer Mr. Ashley Astorquia via our Customer Service Centre on 13 48 10.

Yours sincerely

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