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## **Comments on Development Application – 201630750**

### **Proposed Wetlands for Duffy and Holder**

The Weston Creek Community Council would like to make the following comments in relation to the proposed wetlands for Duffy and Holder in Development Application No 201630750.

In broad terms Council welcomes the proposal and believes that it will bring a number of benefits to the Weston Creek and Molonglo communities.

Some concerns and suggestions that Council would offer and ask follow:

**Parking:** while it is anticipated that a number of near residents would walk to the wetlands, Council also believes that a number of residents and visitors would drive to the wetlands. As a result there would be a need for some form of parking near the wetlands and there doesn't appear to be any parking proposed. The two roads adjoining the wetlands, the Cotter Road and Dixon Drive are busy roads and it would be preferable to have parking off both roads.

**Bridge:** There appears to be no bridge proposed for the wetlands. Council considers that the inclusion of a bridge would bring benefits to the community.

**Beach.** There appears to be no beach for access to the water of the wetlands.

**Centennial Trail and Bi-Centennial Trails:** Both trails traverse the proposed wetlands with the Centennial Trail passing through the centre of the area while the Bicentennial Trail passes to the south of the wetlands along Dixon Drive. Council has concerns over where these will be located following the development and would want them not to be close to busy roads so that all users are safe.

Council would be more than happy to discuss these comments.

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