

## Andy Nixey

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**From:** Andy Nixey  
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**To:** Andy Nixey  
**Subject:** FW: DPE Contact Us form - Complaint from Margaret Kelly Ref ID: 20190620001021



An email has been received from **Margaret Kelly** from the Department of Planning & Environment website's Contact Us online form.

The contact form submission details are below:

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**Type of enquiry:** Complaint

**Your enquiry is about:** Major development proposals

**Enquiry details:**

I missed the submission cut off by 8 minutes for the Ivanhoe Estate Development and would it like to be considered via this application. I'm concerned about the Flora and Fauna along Shrimptons Creek and Epping Road that is likely to be threatened by this development. The areas of bushland along Epping Road between the road and the existing Ivanhoe Estate buildings and also the Optus building and Epping Road were sites for Youth Olympics activities in 2000 and therefore have a cultural significance. The vegetation is most important for the health of the habitat corridor along Shrimptons Creek providing connections through to remaining vegetation in Macquarie University which is unfortunately disrupted by Macquarie Shopping Centre. Habitat for our native fauna therefore relies on these alternate connections through to the Land Cove River valley. The

canopy, mid-story and under-story vegetation are all important in these remnants for our local wildlife. The density of the Ivanhoe Estate will benefit greatly from this vegetation as it will provide a beautiful and living barrier from the noise and dirt coming from Epping Road, and will help clean the air within the estate. As humans, we should seriously consider the impact of destruction of flora and fauna habitat when planning such large estates. The homes for the few remaining populations of superb fairy-wrens and white-browed scrubwrens along this creekline are reliant on connected dense mid-story and under-story vegetation - these birds will lose their habitat and the human residents will miss out on the peace and quiet that the bushland provides. The bushland areas along Epping Road and the vegetation along the creekline, including the under-story and mid-story vegetation, need to be protected and conserved. All habitat in use by the small birds native and weedy needs to be protected and the native habitat along the creekline augmented. The protection of this vegetation should be planned for during the building construction process and construction of any roads. The widening of any road access to the south of Epping Road around and over Shrimptons Creek should not occur as this is a significant area of habitat for the remaining populations of small birds. it is disappointing that This development seems to have little regard for the value of the existing bushland.

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