

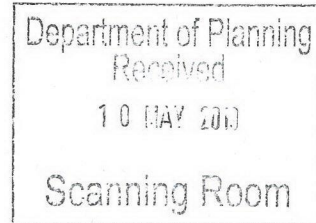


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Department of Planning and Environment
Application Number SS1_8931
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Dear Director,

I am an artist of some note and my work has often focussed on wetlands and their importance to everyone and everything that lives in this threatened world of degraded environments.

Firstly I wish to point out that the suspiciously short window for the public to comment on your proposal, Infrastructure Plan involving Patmore Swamp - Scarborough Park is a disgrace. It reflects badly on the Department.

The paucity of park land in the area around Patmore Swamp and generally in the Municipality makes the pressure on this park from multiple users almost impossible for migrating birds and resident reptiles and native species to survive. Bicyclists are responsible people who care a lot about the environment and a new path that bypasses the Patmore Swamp would be an excellent idea.

The entire area around Botany Bay was wetland once and has systematically been reclaimed for development of one sort or another. I make a plea that the last tiny bit of swamp should be left as such and that the warnings coming from experts all over the world about the destruction of wetlands and the need to protect them is heeded.

Roads are being choked by parked vehicles to the extent that there is often only one lane in the evenings when families return home from work and park in the streets. The

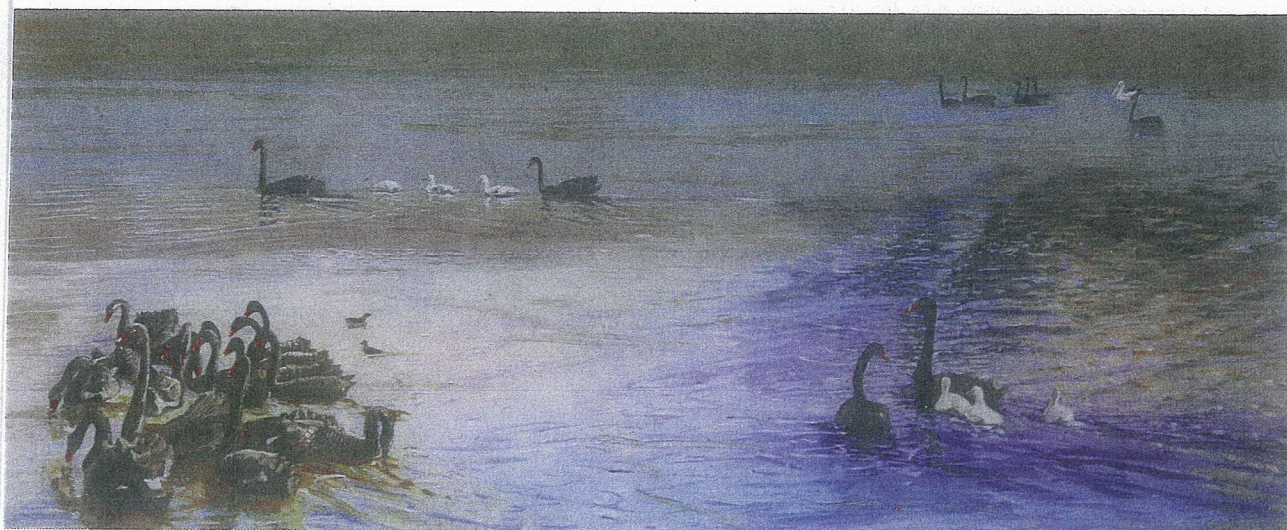
overuse and ownership of vehicles and the lack of off street parking is a problem in the area around Patmore Park. The overdevelopment that is taking place in our suburbs is bringing about a serious lowering of the quality of life for city dwellers. They, like the creatures that occupy the wetlands, are also in peril and it is time to reconsider what were are doing on a local scale to keep a safe environment in which to live. Clean air and safe accommodation must surely be a priority. Open green space and respect for the environment is essential if we are to survive as a species.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading 'Pamela Griffith'.

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Pamela Griffith
'Black Swans and Cygnets'
Oil on canvas 61.0 cm x 153.0 cm

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