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Subject: Update on Throsby Crescent Retarding Basin (behind Griffith Shops)

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Hello,

I am writing to you now to inform you of a change to project timing and elements associated with the retarding basin project behind the Griffith Shops. Please note the attached letter which you would have received in November 2022.

As discussed on site during the drop-in session (26/11/2022), various community members voiced a variety of concerns and questions about the retarding basin and playground relocation and what the works would mean for the community during construction and what the finished project would look like. Where practical, comments raised have been incorporated into the project.

As part of the ACT Government effort to provide services and amenities for Canberrans, ACT Health expressed an interest in the same general area as the retarding basin project and TCCS worked with ACT Health in this regard to modify the original retarding basin project scope to accommodate the ACT Health initiative. As of today (01/07/2024), ACT Health has officially announced the forthcoming development of the Inner South Health Centre (ISHC) on the corner of Throsby Crescent and Throsby Lane in Griffith, adjacent to the Griffith Shops.

Please note the below representation of what will now be delivered by TCCS and ACT Health.

Noting the initial TCCS project had intentions of constructing a new playground before removing the old one, this is now no longer practical, and the retarding basin project will commence (possibly from October 2024) with removal of the existing playground and construction of the new playground as part of the overall construction program once the works are awarded. Due to the need to relocate/redesign the new playground from Block 33 Section 78 into a suitable location in Block 51 Section 78, TCCS will need to lodge a DA Amendment and it is expected there will be a public notification process as part of this submission. Thus, any leverage with time we had with an approved DA (which we have for the original scope) is now gone.

Please rest assured that TCCS will provide active communication to yourself on the retarding basin and playground relocation project once works are due to commence and we apologize for inconveniences associated with upcoming work. With respect to the ACT Health initiative, advice around that proposal can be sourced by contacting ACT Health directly on ACTHDInfrastructure.Comms@act.gov.au with information on the recent media advice as per the below.

[New Inner South Health Centre confirmed for Griffith - Chief Minister, Treasury and Economic Development Directorate \(act.gov.au\)](#)

Should you have any questions, please let me know.

Thanks,

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