

**DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION BY JENNY KNAPMAN ("OWNER")  
50 HEATHCLIFF CRESCENT, BALGOWLAH HEIGHTS ("PROPERTY")**

**STORMWATER MANAGEMENT**

Since the 1960s, when the Owner's home was built, stormwater from the building's roof and other hard surfaces has flowed into a pipe that runs parallel to the Property's eastern boundary to the existing retaining wall referred to in this Application and discharged into an open drain along the bottom of that wall. Since the 1960s some other neighbouring properties have dealt with their stormwater in a similar fashion.

In 2017 there were discussions between the Owner and Council about proposed work on the Property's stormwater system to connect it to Council's stormwater infrastructure. These discussions were ultimately inconclusive and so the Owner has recently reengaged with Council (meeting with Alex Kwok, a Council stormwater engineer, on 3 March 2020) on the Owner's proposed changes to the Property's stormwater system that, when completed, will redirect the stormwater to Council's infrastructure on Heathcliff Crescent.

It is contemplated that, subject to Council approving this Application, the new retaining wall will be constructed before the proposed work on the stormwater system is completed so that (1) work on the new retaining wall can be started as soon as reasonably possible and completed before the existing retaining wall fails, and (2) the excavation work for the retaining wall, which will require an excavator, does not damage the Owner's work on the stormwater system.