

12 August 2024

## Notice of Motion No. 153

### Environmental Weeds

I hereby give notice that it is my intention to move the following motion at the Council Meeting on 12 August 2024:

That Council:

1. Acknowledges the serious impacts of environmental weeds – including garden-escapee weeds – on our roadsides, reserves and sites of Biological significance, and the potential financial impact this has on our maintenance budgets;
2. Is supportive of effective regulation to stop the sale of environmental weeds from nurseries and online;
3. Writes to elected representatives, including State Minister for Environment (The Hon. Steve Dimopoulos) and Minister for Agriculture (The Hon. Ros Spence), and Federal Minister for Environment and Water (Hon Tanya Plibersek MP) and Minister for Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry (The Hon Julie Collins MP), to call on the Federal Government to develop a threat abatement plan for escaped garden weeds and aquatic plants; and
4. Requests officers to prepare a Budget Submission for the Environmental Weed Officer (0.6 EFT) officer position identified in the Biodiversity Resilience Plan 2024 for consideration as part of the 2025/26 budget process.

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