

### 3. WASHBOURNES CREEK - OPTIONS FOR RESTORATION

The Water Services Manager has sought input from the Board on the proposal for a reach of Washbournes Creek.

Washbournes Creek (drain) is a significant remnant of an old water course that extended most of the way to Mona Vale. Today, the open reach between Brockworth Place and Oakford Close is all that remains. The waterway follows a natural alignment as it meanders through private properties.

Development pressures in this neighbourhood are seen to be a challenge to the viability of the green corridor and waterway. The intention is to identify options that will ensure the retention of an open waterway through this residential area.

Mr Alan Cutler, Landscape Architect (Water Services), was in attendance.

The Board supported the open enhancement rather than piping; preferred options would be the subject of an on-site inspection.

The Board **agreed** to support the proposed objectives for the restoration of Washbournes Creek between Brockworth Place and Oakford Close and requested that the Water Services Unit continue to pursue an agreed outcome for the restoration of Washbournes Creek.