



Hon Andrew McNamara MP
Member for Hervey Bay



**Minister for Sustainability,
Climate Change and Innovation**

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Petition 938-07/944-07

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Mr Neil Laurie
The Clerk of the Parliament
Parliament House
George Street
BRISBANE QLD 4000

Dear Mr ~~Laurie~~ *Neil*.

Thank you for your letters of 19 November 2007 relating to Petition Numbers 938-07 and 944-07 seeking my intervention in staffing arrangements at the Currumbin Wildlife Sanctuary.

I have no power to intervene in operational matters of the National Trust of Queensland to which these powers are conferred under the *National Trust Act 1963* and the *Currumbin Bird Sanctuary Act 1976*.

The Trust is legally empowered to make employment decisions that it judges to be in the overall interests of Currumbin on the advice of the Currumbin Advisory Board (the Board). Accordingly, this issue is a matter for those bodies, both of which have a strong interest in the ongoing success of the Currumbin Sanctuary.

Thank you for bringing this matter to my attention. If any further information is required, please do not hesitate to contact Mr Doug Yuille of the Environmental Protection Agency on telephone 3404 3332.

Yours sincerely

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