

Gawler River Floodplain Management Authority

*Adelaide Hills Council, Adelaide Plains Council, The Barossa Council,
Town of Gawler, Light Regional Council, City of Playford*

KEY OUTCOMES SUMMARY

GRFMA Board Meeting – 18 August 2022

Gawler River Flood Mitigation Business Case Governance

The meeting:

- Endorsed the newly proposed project governance arrangements for the Gawler River Flood Mitigation Program as facilitated by Department for Environment and Water (DEW).
- Noted the intention during development of the full business case to review the governance arrangements for Gawler River Flood Management post 30 June 2023, and for this to incorporate a mix of State and Local Government involvement.
- Requested that a Key Outcomes Summary from meetings of the proposed Business Case Executive Committee be listed as a standing item in the GRFMA Agenda.

Gawler River Flood Mitigation Support by GRFMA

The meeting:

- Endorsed continuation of the shared responsibility and partnership approach between Local Government and State Government to pursue flood mitigation measures within the Gawler River landscape.
- Endorsed previous indication of support for continuation of the Business Case being led by DEW, with GRFMA, commitment of not less than \$42,000 to facilitate a .5 technical resource for six months; and authorised the Acting Chairperson and Executive Officer to work with DEW to facilitate and sign a suitable MOU to achieve placement of the .5 technical resource.
- Acknowledged Constituent Council CEOs do not support the further call for Council funding beyond the six months technical resource commitment.
- Resolved to look to importance of partnering with DEW and will continue to work towards sourcing funding contributions toward the Business Case delivery in 2023/2024.
- Noted the Constituent Council CEOs view that it would be more appropriate to undertake community engagement when the preferred options are confirmed, and suitability established and costed.

Charter Review 2 Cost Contribution Funding Model

Council responses regarding the Charter Review 2 cost contribution funding model were received from Adelaide Plains Council, The Barossa Council and City of Playford. The GRFMA will further consider the matter, following responses being received from Adelaide Hills Council, Light Regional Council, and the Town of Gawler.

The GRFMA will pursue discussion with the State Government to develop a funding model policy whereby the relevant portion of capital cost funding for flood mitigation projects is agreed between each tier of Government. It was noted this is a matter also being considered by the recently established SA Stormwater Expert Panel.

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GRFMA Financial Statements and Annual Audit

The GRFMA Financial Statement documents 2021/2022 were adopted, and the Annual Audit Completion Report was received. The Schedule of Constituent Council's Interest in Net Assets 30 June 2022 was adopted in accordance with Clause 15.5 of the GRFMA Charter.

Financial Report

The Financial Report, as of 1 July 2022, provided a balance of \$126,130.43 total funds available.

GRFMA Board and Committee Appointments

The meeting received advice of appointment of Mr Martin McCarthy as GRFMA Board Member for the Barossa Council and advice of reappointment of Mr G Pattinson as GRFMA Board Member for the City of Playford.

The term of existing GRFMA Audit Committee Members was extended until after the 12 November 2022 periodical Local Government elections.

Mr Ben Clark, Director Works and Engineering Services, The Barossa Council was appointed as a Member of the GRFMA Technical Assessment Panel.