

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 – 12 February 2026

Vale Paul Koch

Members acknowledged the sad passing of Cr Paul Koch, Town of Gawler, GRFMA Board Member, and the many contributions he made to the Board.

Business Case Gawler River Floodplain Flood Management

The meeting recorded appreciation for the Department of Housing and Urban Development (DHUD), taking the lead to complete the Gawler River Flood Management Business Case, in collaboration with the GRFMA as the Disaster Ready Fund Project proponent.

Insurance coverage for the Bruce Eastick North Para Flood Mitigation Dam

Submission has now been made to the LGA Asset Mutual Fund (LGAAMF) to consider appropriate insurance coverage for the Bruce Eastick North Para Flood Mitigation Dam.

Strategic Management Framework Review

Recognising the imminent and strategic importance of finalising the Gawler River Flood Management Business Case; review of the GRFMA Strategic Management Framework will now be undertaken in the latter part of the 2026/2027 financial year. The recommendations outlined in the Gawler River Stormwater Management Plan (2025) will be considered during the review of other relevant framework plans.

The GRFMA Strategic Management Framework consists of:

- GRFMA Strategic Plan 2021-2026
- GRFMA Long Term Financial Plan 2022/23 – 2031/32
- GRFMA Asset Management Plan 2023-2032.
- Gawler River Stormwater Management Plan (2025)

Financial Report and GRFMA 2025/2026 Budget Review 2

The financial report as of 31 January 2026 provided a cash at bank balance of \$177,041.49 with internal cash lending for CAD offset of \$ 331,589,072.

Budget Review 2 made no changes to the GFRMA 2025/2026 Budget.

Draft 2026/2027 GRFMA Annual Business Plan and Draft 2026/2027 Budget

The meeting endorsed the Draft 2026/2027 GRFMA Annual Business Plan and Draft 2026/2027 Budget and following receipt of Constituent Council feedback, will consider adoption of the GRFMA draft Annual Business Plan and Annual Budget at the June 2026 meeting.

Schedule of Meetings

The 2026 schedule of ordinary GRFMA meetings, each commencing at 9:45am, is:

- Thursday 16 April 2026, Adelaide Hills Council
- Thursday 25 June 2026, The Barossa Council
- Thursday 20 August 2026, Town of Gawler
- Thursday 15 October 2026, Adelaide Plains Council
- Thursday 10 December 2026, City of Playford