

MINUTES

GAWLER RIVER FLOODPLAIN MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY BOARD

9:45am Thursday 17 April 2025

Lobethal Woollen Mill – Level 1 (Upper Workspace) – 1 Lobethal Road, Lobethal

1. Meeting of the Board

1.1 Welcome by the GRFMA Chairperson

Mr Lino Di Lerna formally welcomed Board Members, Deputy Board Members, Observers and the Executive Officer and opened the 156th meeting of the Board.

1.2 Present

- Mr Lino Di Lerna, Independent Board Member, Chair
- Mr James Miller, Adelaide Plains Council, Board Member
- Cr Malcolm Herrmann, Adelaide Hills Council, Board Member
- Mr David Collins, Adelaide Hills Council, Board Member
- Cr Bruce Preece, The Barossa Council, Board Member
- Mr Jake McVicar, The Barossa Council, Board Member
- Cr Paul Koch, Town of Gawler, Board Member
- Ms Whendee Young, Town of Gawler, Board Member
- Mr Richard Dodson, Light Regional Council, Board Member
- Cr Clint Marsh, City of Playford, Board Member
- Mr Greg Pattinson, City of Playford, Board Member
- Mr David Hitchcock, Executive Officer

Observers for Item 5.1:

- Oshanna Alexander, Community Engagement Coordinator, SA State Emergency Service
- Hassan Ranjbar, Senior Project Manager/Geotechnical Engineer, Department for Environment and Water

1.3 Apologies

- Cr Terry-Anne Keen, Adelaide Plains Council, Board Member
- Cr Michael Phillips-Ryder, Light Regional Council, Board Member

1.4 Appointment of Observers

Nil

1.5 Declarations of Interest

Nil

9:56am Cr Clint Marsh arrived at the meeting.

2. Confirmation of Minutes

2.1 GRFMA Ordinary Meeting Minutes

GB15/25 **GRFMA Ordinary Meeting Minutes**
Moved: Mr Greg Pattinson
Seconded: Cr Bruce Preece

That the Minutes of the Gawler River Floodplain Management Authority Board meeting held on 20/02/2025 be confirmed as a true and accurate record of that meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2.2 GRFMA Confidential Meeting Minutes

GB16/25 **GRFMA Confidential Meeting Minutes**
Moved: Cr Malcolm Herrmann
Seconded: Cr Bruce Preece

That the Minutes of the Gawler River Floodplain Management Authority Board confidential meeting held on 20/02/2025 be confirmed as a true and accurate record of that meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2.3 Actions on Previous Resolutions

The Board discussed and noted the outstanding actions.

2.4 Matters Arising from the Minutes

Nil

3. Questions on Notice

Nil

4. Motions on Notice

Nil

5. Presentations

5.1 Updates on Disaster Ready Fund Projects and short presentation from DEW and SES on the Gawler River Awareness and Preparedness Campaign

Shaun Fielding (Senior Project Manager, Flood Management, Climate Change, Flood Risk and Coast Branch | Environment, Heritage and Sustainability Division, Department for Environment and Water) provided a presentation.

5.2 Matters provided to SA State Government, Country Cabinet, Mallala

James Miller (GRFMA Board Member, CEO Adelaide Plains Council) provided a presentation.

6. Audit and Risk Committee

Nil

7. Technical Assessment Panel

Nil

8. Reports

8.1 Gawler River Flood Mitigation Business Case

GB17/25 Gawler River Flood Mitigation Business Case

Moved: Mr Richard Dodson

Seconded: Cr Clint Marsh

That the GRFMA Board authorises an application to the Federal Government's Disaster Ready Fund Round 3 to finalise the Business Case for the Gawler River Floodplain Flood Mitigation based on a GRFMA cash contribution of \$290,000, which includes:

- 1. \$200,000 as per GB 4/25.*
- 2. \$40,000 remaining unspent business case provisions in the 2024/25 GRFMA budget.*
- 3. \$20,000 from the 2025/26 budget.*
- 4. \$30,000 as forward estimates to be included in the 2026/27 GRFMA budget.*

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

GB18/25 Gawler River Flood Mitigation Business Case

Moved: Mr David Collins

Seconded: Mr James Miller

That the GRFMA:

- 1. Receives the URPS report summarising the GRFMA's requests and analysis of the Greater Adelaide Regional Plan (GARP).*
- 2. Notes the report's important questions:*
 - Will the Bruce Eastick Dam upgrade be prioritised as critical infrastructure?*
 - Can an infrastructure scheme partially fund the dam?*
 - Will a cost-sharing model support dam delivery?*
 - Will flood mitigation receive planning priority like transport infrastructure?*
- 3. Requests the GRFMA Chairman to include these questions in future discussions with State and Federal Government representatives, and Members of Parliament.*

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

8.2 Gawler River Stormwater Management Plan

GB19/25 Gawler River Stormwater Management Plan

Moved: Cr Bruce Preece

Seconded: Mr David Collins

That the GRFMA notes progress of community engagement on the final draft Gawler River Stormwater Management Plan.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

8.3 Financial Report

GB20/25 Financial Report

Moved: Mr James Miller

Seconded: Cr Malcolm Herrmann

That the GRFMA:

- 1. Receives the financial report as of 31 March 2025 showing a cash at bank balance of \$ 162,277.54.*
- 2. Notes internal cash lending for CAD offset is \$399,376.05.*

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

8.4 Executive Officer Report

GB21/25 Executive Officer Report

Moved: Cr Bruce Preece

Seconded: Cr Malcolm Herrmann

That the GRFMA receives the report.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9. Correspondence

Nil

10. Confidential

Nil

11. Urgent Matters Without Notice

Nil

12. Next Meeting

Date and Time: Thursday 19 June 2025, 9:45am

Host: The Barossa Council

13. Closure

The Chairperson thanked the members for their attendance and contributions and closed the meeting at 11:36am.

Chair _____ Date _____