



The Barossa Council

ANNUAL REPORT 2019-20

Gawler River Floodplain Management Authority

Constituent Councils:

Adelaide Hills Council

Adelaide Plains Council

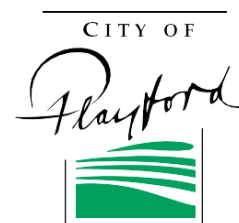
The Barossa Council

Town of Gawler

Light Regional Council

City of Playford

Gawler



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Chair Report

The past year of the Gawler River Floodplain Management Authority's (GRFMA) operation has been challenging across many fronts. The impact of COVID-19 in the last half of the report year primarily presenting difficulties with communications for the 13-member Board representing the six constituent councils forming the GRFMA (i.e. Adelaide Hills, Adelaide Plains, Barossa, Gawler, Light and Playford), State and Federal governments and other stakeholders having interest in the protection of the Gawler River floodplain.

The GRFMA Board conducted six (6) Ordinary meetings and convened two (2) Special meetings during the report period. Further, the GRMA's Audit Committee met on four (4) occasions.

The GRFMA Audit Committee provides an important role between the Authority, its management and its constituent Councils. The committee provides suggestions and recommendations to the GRFMA Board about actions to be taken to enhance financial and operational governance, considered to be in the best interests of the subsidiary and its constituent Councils.

Numerous Committee and Working Group meetings were also undertaken enabling the progression of activities identified necessary by the GRFMA Board.

Sincere thanks are extended to all who have been available for e-meetings and alternate means of communication allowing the business of the GRFMA to progress effectively. Special mention is also made of the assistance of the Town of Gawler Council which provided staff and associated IT, permitting the scheduling and conduct of e-meetings as required.

Notwithstanding the above, there have been a number of significant achievements throughout the report period, some of which are briefly outlined below.

Charter and Governance – Charter Review 2 Review Implementation

As reported in 2019, a periodic review of the Charter and associated governance (Charter Review 1) had been primarily completed with a legal review of proposed amendments having to be taken prior to adoption by the GRFMA's Board which occurred on the 28 January 2020.

This stage of the review was undertaken to make provision for some immediate amendments to the Charter necessary for continuing operation.

A number of amendments were proposed and supported with the following identified as the most important:

- Increasing the Audit Committee's GRFMA Board member representation,
- Clear prescription of the powers, functions, and duties to be undertaken by the Executive Officer,
- Setting the constituent council's percentage share contributions for capital works having a maximum value of \$1 million, and
- Making provision for the GRFMA's to prepare a Strategic Plan, Long-term Financial Plan, Asset Management Plan, Annual Business Plan, and associated budget documentation.

A more comprehensive review (Charter Review 2) commenced in April 2020 with Jeff Tate Consulting being engaged to undertake the required work. This work which will explore further governance and operational processes including options for alternative management (i.e., other than the Authority) for the Gawler River and supporting financial arrangements. This work is due for completion and report to the Authority in December 2020. Following consultation and subsequent approval process with constituent councils it is intended any new Charter arrangements will be operational from 1 July 2021.

Northern Floodway Project Advocacy and Progress

Since endorsing the Northern Floodway Project, the GRFMA has maintained constant advocacy initiatives pursuing funding for the project.

Recognising the need to continue liaison with the Federal and State Governments, the GRFMA Board requested that a further Advocacy program be implemented. Working in conjunction with Mr Phil Harrison, Playford Council's Advocacy Officer, the Chair and Chief Executive Officers visited three (3) Federal Government Ministers, four (4) SA Senators, three (3) local Federal Government Members of Parliament, three (3) State Members of the Legislative Council and three (3) State Members of Parliament advising of the work undertaken by the GRFMA to progress the Northern Floodway Project and seeking financial support.

All politicians engaged with acknowledged the importance of fixing this recurring flooding issue. To date funding sources remain unclear.

Other activities undertaken recently importantly include:

- Liaison with the South Australian Stormwater Management Authority (SMA) indicating the need for a Stormwater Management Plan (SMP) to be undertaken for the greater Gawler River from its convergence with the North and South Para Rivers to its outfall with the sea. The work is deemed necessary to satisfy the requirements of the SMA and future applications for funding for the Northern Floodway Project and any other flood mitigation associated works.
- GRFMA Board decision to pursue application for funding from the SMA for portion of the cost of the required SMP and associated Stage 1 scope and 30% design for the proposed Northern Floodway Project.
- A Working Group is to be formed to work with the SMA to scope investigative works required to develop the required SMP.

Bruce Eastick North Para Flood Mitigation Dam (BENPFMD) Operation and Safety Activities

The following activities have been pursued:

- **Safety Emergency Plan:**
The GRFMA endorsed partnership with the Local Government Association of South Australia Council Ready Program which aims to support councils with emergency management planning, and activities that strengthen disaster resilience in communities. The program is being centrally coordinated by the Local Government Association of South Australia (LGA-SA), with a team of project facilitators providing tailored assistance to councils between 2019 and 2021. The report is due for completion in December 2020.
- The LGA Mutual Liability Scheme assisted in facilitating an initial and separate Strategic Risk Workshop with GRFMA Board Members to identify relevant strategic risks associated with management of the Authority, in relation to the construction, operation and maintenance of flood mitigation infrastructure for the Gawler River.
- **Operations and Maintenance Manual:**
AURECON Engineering Consultants were engaged to prepare an updated dam operations and maintenance plan which was completion in June 2020
- **Site Environmental Management:**
The GRFMA and Light regional Council have commenced work with the Natural Resources Adelaide and Mount Lofty Ranges Landscape Board for the establishment of a revegetated zone around the land comprising the BENPFMD.

Gawler River UNHaRMED Management Tool (GRUMP)

In 2019 the GRFMA entered into partnership with the Bushfire and Natural Hazards CRC and the University of Adelaide to develop a decision support tool (UNHaRMED) to explore how to manage flood risk into the future. The model tool once developed will also be available to other local government authorities and floodplain managers responsible for flood-associated social, environmental, and economic risk modelling and subsequent management.

The Executive Officer and the GRFMA Project Management team has worked with other partners during the year to progress the development of the tool. It is expected that work will be completed by December 2020.

Chair and Executive Officer Review and Re-appointment

Reviews were undertaken of the Chair and Executive Officer's positions with the following decisions being confirmed by the GRFMA:

- Chair and Independent Member – re-appointed for a period of three (3) years pursuant to the relative provisions of the GRFMA Charter.
- Executive Officer – Contract of Employment continued for an additional two (2) years.

Outgoing and New GRFMA Board Members

Acknowledgement is made of Cr Stephen Coppins assistance and service to the GRFMA as City of Playford Board Member from November 2018 – November 2019 and the Board welcomed replacement Board Member Cr Peter Rentoulis and new Deputy Member Cr Clinton Marsh.

Audit Committee Membership

The GRFMA re-appointed the following members of the Audit Committee for a further two years until 30 June 2022):

- Mr Peter Brass – Chair and Independent Member
- Cr Malcolm Herrmann (Adelaide Hills Council) – Committee Member
- Mr Greg Pattinson (City of Playford) – Committee Member

The GRFMA continues to prioritise the delivery of the Northern Floodway Project to provide increased protection for the lower reaches of the Gawler River.

An overall objective remains, to provide 1:100 Average Recurrence Interval protection for the Gawler River floodplain.

Ian J. Baldwin
Chair and Independent Member
Gawler River Floodplain Management Authority

Gawler River Floodplain Management Authority (GRFMA)

The Gawler River

The Gawler River is formed by the confluence of the North Para and South Para in the town of Gawler and is located in the Adelaide Plains district of South Australia. The district surrounding the river produces cereal crops and sheep for both meat and wool, as well as market gardens, almond orchards, and vineyards. The farm gate output of the Gawler River Floodplain horticultural areas is estimated to be at least \$225 million.

Purpose of the GRFMA

The Gawler River Floodplain Management Authority (GRFMA) was formed as a Regional Subsidiary under Section 43 and Schedule 2 of the Local Government Act 1999 on 22 August 2002. The Constituent Councils are the Adelaide Hills Council, The Adelaide Plains Council, The Barossa Council, The Town of Gawler, Light Regional Council, and the City of Playford.



The Charter provides for one independent person, who is not an officer, employee, or elected member of a Constituent Council, to be appointed as the Chairperson of the Board of Management of the GRFMA for a term of two years.

The Charter sets down the powers, functions, safeguards, accountabilities, and an operational framework.

The Authority has been established for the purpose of coordinating the planning, construction, operation, and maintenance of flood mitigation infrastructure for the Gawler River, and for the following functions:

- to raise finance for the purpose of developing, managing, and operating and maintaining works approved by the Board;
- to provide a forum for the discussion and consideration of topics relating to the Constituent Council's obligations and responsibilities in relation to management of flooding of the Gawler River;
- to advocate on behalf of the Constituent Councils and their communities where required to State and Federal Governments for legislative policy changes on matters related to flood mitigation and management and associated land use planning with Gawler River flood mitigation;
- to facilitate sustainable outcomes to ensure a proper balance between economic, social, environmental, and cultural consideration; and
- to provide advice as appropriate to the Constituent Councils in relation to development applications relevant to the Authority's roles and functions.



Governance

The Board

The Authority is governed by the Board of management

The Board comprises of

- one independent person, who is not an officer, employee, or elected member of a constituent council, to be appointed as the Chairperson of the Board of Management of the GRFMA for a term of two years.
- Two persons appointed from each of the six constituent councils (12 members in total). Council appointees comprise of the Council CEO, or delegate and one Elected Member.
- Deputy Board members as appointed by each constituent council

The Members of the Board are:

Council	Board Members	Deputy Board Members
Chairperson & Independent Member	Mr Ian Baldwin	
Adelaide Hills Council	Cr Malcolm Herrmann Mr Marc Salver	Cr Pauline Gill
Adelaide Plains Council	Cr Terry-Anne Keen Mr James Miller	Cr John Lush Mr Robert Veitch
The Barossa Council	Mayor Bim Lange Mr Gary Mavrinac	Cr Russell Johnstone
Town of Gawler	Cr Paul Koch Mr Sam Dilena	Cr Nathan Shanks Mr Ben DeGilio
Light Regional Council	Cr William Close Mr Brian Carr	Mr Andrew Philpott
City of Playford	Cr Agapios (Peter) Rentoulis Mr Greg Pattinson	Cr Clinton Marsh

Meetings of the Board are held at such time and such place as the Board decides subject only to the requirement that there will be at least one meeting in every two calendar months. A special meeting of the Board may be held at any time and may be called at the request of the Chairperson or at the written request of six members of the Board representing all the Constituent Councils.

Ordinary meetings of the Board are generally held bi-monthly on the third Thursday of the even months commencing at 9.45 am: excepting December which is held on the second Thursday. Meetings are hosted by the Constituent Councils on a rotational roster with six Board meetings and one Special Meeting was held during the year as follows:

- Thursday 15 August 2019 Gawler
- Thursday 17 October 2019 Mallala (Adelaide Plains)
- Thursday 12 December 2019 Playford
- Thursday 27 February 2020 Kapunda (Light)
- Thursday 16 April 2020 Video Conference (required for COVID-19 protocols)
- Tuesday 12 May 2020 Video Conference (Special Meeting) (required for COVID-19 protocols)
- Thursday 11 June 2020 Barossa

Technical Assessment Panel

A Technical Assessment Panel has been appointed to support the decision-making processes of the Board with delegated powers to provide advice and manage the technical aspects of the design, assessment, and construction of the various parts of the Scheme.

The Members of the Panel are:

- Mr Ian Baldwin, Independent Chair
- Ms Ingrid Franssen, Manager Flood Management, DEWNR
- Dr Moji Kan, Principal Engineer Dams, SA Water
- Mr Matt Elding, Barossa Council
- Mr Braden Austin, Playford Council
- Mr David Hitchcock Executive Officer
- Mr Dino Musolino, Observer, Lower Gawler River representative

No meetings of the Panel were held during the year, however, email out of session consideration was undertaken to consider proposed repairs to the Lower Level Outlet Pipe and Baffle Block replacement at the Bruce Eastick North Para Flood Mitigation Dam.

Audit Committee

An Audit Committee has been appointed to review:

- the annual financial statements to ensure that they present fairly the situation of the Board, and
- the adequacy of the accounting, internal control, reporting and other financial management systems and practices of the Board on a regular basis.

The Committee held four meetings during the year:

- 09 August 2019
- 27 November 2019
- 12 February 2020
- 09 June 2020

The members of the Committee are:

- Mr Peter Brass, Independent Member
- Mr Greg Pattinson, City of Playford
- Cr Malcolm Herrmann, Adelaide Hills Council

At the 16/4/2020 Ordinary meeting the GRFMA Board resolved to reappoint the current membership of the GRFMA Audit Committee for a further two years (1 July 2020 until 30 June 2022).

Executive Officer

Mr David Hitchcock has been appointed Executive Officer on a contract basis (part time) to 31 December 2021.

External Auditor

Dean Newbery and Partners have been appointed as the external auditor for the financial year period 2019/20 until 2023/24.

Charter and Governance Review Working Group

On 16/8/18 the Authority endorsed commencement of a GRFMA Charter and Governance Review to be undertaken in two phases consisting of:

1. A charter review to be undertaken as a shorter-term action; and
2. Following completion of the charter review a further process to scope and consider other contemporary governance arrangements be undertaken.

Charter Review 1 has now been completed and key elements of changes to be affected in the new charter are:

Clause	Change
1.2	Provision of Definitions
3.1.4	New wording to facilitate sustainable outcomes to ensure a proper balance between economic, social, environmental, and cultural considerations.
4.3.11	New options to identify Board and Deputy Board Members.
4.5.1	New process for appointment of Chairperson three-year term.
6.	Reworded and reorganised to reflect Role and Functions and provision for a new Code of Practice for Meeting Procedures
7.2	Clarifies obligations of the Authority regarding Register of Interest and Related Party Disclosures
8.4.2	Sets limit of overdraft facility.
8.5.2	Provides direction on draw down of loan funds.

Clause	Change
9.4.1 and 9.4.2	Establishment of Committees - Provides opportunity for more than one independent Audit Committee member and term of appointment.
11.1	Requires separate funding agreement with constituent councils where capital or maintenance costs exceed \$1 Million in any one year.
12	Provision for Annual Business Plan and Annual Budget - clarification that Council approve the Budget as a whole.
13	New Management Framework requiring a Long-Term Financial Plan, a Strategic Plan and an Asset Management plan as well as annual budget.
21	Clarifies dispute resolution process between Authority and one or more constituent councils.
23.3	No change to financial contributions by constituent councils. Depreciation falls within the scope of the Authorities operational costs.
24	New identification of non-derogation and Direction by constituent councils.

The new Charter (Charter Review 1) commenced from 28 January 2020 and a transition program will be undertaken to affect the new GRFMA Management Framework requiring a Long-Term Financial Plan, a Strategic Plan, and an Asset Management plan as well as annual budget.

The Authority has now separately initiated Charter Review 2 of the Charter review so as to facilitate a process to scope and consider other contemporary governance arrangements that the GRFMA might, with constituent council support, adopt in seeking to deliver its purpose of coordinating the planning, construction, operation and maintenance of flood mitigation infrastructure for the Gawler River.

This process is to also examine percentage rate contributions (subscriptions) pursuant to the current Charter (2015), Clause 10. Financial Contributions to the Authority (now Clause 11 in the proposed Charter, Stage 1, 2019).

GRFMA Policies

The following Policies have been adopted to provide management guidelines for the day-to-day business of the GRFMA:

- Procurement and Operations Policy
- Grant Policy
- Internal Review of Decisions Policy
- Public Consultation Policy
- Access to Meetings and Documents Policy
- Dam Valuation Policy
- Treasury Management Policy

The purpose of policies is to provide prudent management guidelines for the day-to-day management of the affairs of the Authority.

Meetings

All meetings of the GRFMA and its committees are open to the public, except for those matters to be considered under Section 90 of the Local Government Act 1999.

No Freedom of Information requests were received during the year.

Forum	Total Resolutions for the year	Resolutions to exclude the Public – S90(3)	Purpose	Order for docs to remain confidential - S91(7)	%
Board	131	6	Possible commercial advantage of a Person	6	4
Technical Assessment Panel	0	0	N/A	0	0
Audit Committee	23	0	N/A	0	0

Evaluation of Performance Against the Business Plan

Part A: Funding

Performance Targets:	Timings:	To be measured by:	Actual Achievements:
Grant Claims	At all times	Lodge claims monthly for the payment of Commonwealth and State Government Grants.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Claims lodged according to grant conditions
Maintain positive Cash Flow	At all times	Positive bank account balances at all times.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Positive cash flow maintained

Part B: Proposed Flood Mitigation Scheme Works

South Para Works Completed 2012
<p>The South Para Reservoir is under the control and management of SA Water Corporation who agreed to undertake the required modifications to the South Para Reservoir to provide the required level of flood mitigation capacity as a cost to the Scheme. Dam safety review and design proposal to modify the dam wall and spillway was completed September 2005</p> <p>Detailed hydrology study of the catchment completed by Department of Transport, Energy, and Infrastructure March 2007.</p> <p>Practical completion of the modification works to the dam wall and spillway was achieved June 2012.</p>

Gawler River Flood Mitigation Scheme	
One	What will the Mark Two Scheme Include? (Note these steps may occur concurrently and not necessarily in the following order).
Two	<p>Reconfirm with the Constituent Councils that a 1 in 100-year level of protection is the protection standard that is to be pursued in the development of the Gawler River Flood Mitigation Scheme – Mark Two Strategy. N.B. The protection standard does not guarantee full protection for all flood events. <i>The Findings Report 2016 advises the 1 in 100 ARI event is considered to be the minimum desirable level of flood protection for new development as well as for much of the existing floodplain development.</i></p> <p>Determine if a second dam on the North Para River or modification to the Bruce Eastick North Para Flood Mitigation Dam is an option. The GRFMA Board has recently accepted a tender for a Findings Report to undertake an assessment to determine if a second dam is required and feasible. <i>The Findings Report 2016 advised enlarging the existing Bruce Eastick North Para Flood Mitigation Dam on the North Para offers the greatest level of protection with least impacts and is rated as the most favoured structural mitigation option. This option deferred pending completion of the Northern Floodway Project proposal. Noting feasibility of raising the height of the Bruce Eastick Dam is still a strategic consideration. Both the Northern Floodway Project and raising the height of the Bruce Eastick Dam will entail considerable financial costs beyond the annual budget of the GRFMA.</i></p>
Three	The Gawler River Floodplain Mapping Model should be maintained as the reference tool to demonstrate the level of flood protection and validity of design of land proposed for development as part of the approval process. To achieve this, the model should be upgraded to include recent works such as the Northern Expressway works and the additional floodplain mapping completed as part of the Light River Templers Creek Salt Creek Mapping Study by the Adelaide Plains Council. <i>Completed.</i>
Four	To further develop the preliminary assessment of possible local area levees prepared in the 2008 Gawler River Floodplain Mapping Study at Gawler, Angle Vale and Two Wells and develop a levee strategy for Virginia to a robust design standard with a staging plan. Undertake a cost benefit study for each stage of the plan. <i>Currently being considered in association with the Northern Floodway Project proposal.</i>
Five	Establish a protocol with the Floodplain Councils that where development of land in areas identified as ‘at risk of flooding’ is planned to proceed by the implementation of a local area levee that mapping of the proposed levees on the Gawler River Floodplain Mapping Study Model will be required. <i>It is anticipated the Gawler River Unharmful Mitigation Project, currently underway, will contribute to understanding of this issue and relevant strategies.</i>

Six	Maintain a working relationship with the Australian Rail Track Corporation to ensure that any changes to Railtrack infrastructure of culverts and rail heights are mapped on the Gawler River Floodplain Mapping Study Model to identify any changes to flooding impacts. <i>Ongoing – new modifications to the rail bridge commenced June 2020.</i>
Gawler River Flood Mitigation Scheme	
Seven	Develop a funding strategy for flood protection that is delivered by local area levees on the questions of who should own and maintain the levees and whether local area levees are regional works that the GRFMA should fund or are they local works that are the responsibility of the local Council. <i>Currently being considered in association with the Northern Floodway Project proposal.</i>
Eight	Investigate opportunities for funding partners and grants to undertake the necessary assessments and designs. <i>Ongoing.</i>
Nine	The Scheme will also seek to clarify, through the Local Government Association, the policy and legal framework around maintenance of rivers and creeks where those rivers and creeks are part of the regional flood management plan. Under current legislation a landowner is responsible for the condition of a creek or waterway on private land. <i>Currently under review by Department Environment and Water. GRFMA submission provided.</i>

Part B: Maintenance of the Scheme

Performance Targets:	Timings:	To be measured by:	Actual Achievements:
Six monthly inspection	June and December	Completion of Inspection Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ☑ Comprehensive Dam inspection (Newman Engineering) carried out Jan 2018 ☑ Dam Break Consequence study completed June 2019. ☑ Road Access Repairs completed February 2019. ☑ Dam Survey Monument (5 year) Survey completed April 2019. ☑ Lower Level Outlet Pipe and stilling basin dewatered and inspections undertaken March 2019.

Part C: Operation of the Regional Subsidiary

Performance Targets:	Timings:	To be measured by:	Actual Achievements:
Reports to Stakeholders	Bi-Monthly	Key Outcomes Summary to be published following each Board Meeting	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Key Outcomes Summary prepared following GRFMA meetings
Charter Review 1 and Charter Review 2	December	The performance of the Executive Officer be reviewed annually Charter Review	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Review conducted in December 2020 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> GRFMA Charter Review (1st stage) completed June 2019 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> GRFMA Charter Review (2nd stage) commenced April 2020
	August	The appointment of Auditor, Bank Operators, levels of insurance, appropriate registrations, delegations, and policies be reviewed annually.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> New External Auditor 2019-2024 appointed June 2019 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Appropriate levels of insurance reviewed in July 2019
Review of the Business Plan	By 31 st March	Review the Business Plan prior to preparing the Budget Forward to the Councils	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> June 2019 – Business Plan 2019-2023 adopted <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> June 2019 – Achievements against the Business Plan 2019-23 presented
Budget 20/21	By 31 st March, June, October, December	Adopt for consultation forward to Councils – Adopt Budget – copy to Councils in 5 days – Conduct Budget Reviews	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> March 2020 – Council consultation <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Budget 2020-2021 adopted at June 2019 Board meeting
Subscriptions	June December	Send half year subscriptions to Council	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> All first half subscriptions paid <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> All Second half subscriptions paid

Performance Targets:	Timings:	To be measured by:	Actual Achievements:
Report to Constituent Councils	Following each Board meeting By 30 th September	The receipt of the following reports by Councils, Board Meeting Key Outcomes Summary Annual Report including Annual Financial Statements	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Key Outcomes Summary prepared following meetings <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Annual Report forwarded electronically to Councils.
Governance	Ongoing	Policies and new management framework documents developed and reviewed	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Draft new Fraud and Corruption and Public Interest Disclosure Policies <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Strategic Plan, Asset Management Plan and Long Term Financial Plan to be developed
Annual Operations		<p>Advocacy for construction of Northern Floodway project.</p> <p>Completion of the detailed Dam Failure Consequence.</p> <p>Assessment of the Dam pursuant to ANCOLD guidelines.</p> <p>Review of Dam Safety Emergency Plans and Operation and Maintenance Manuals.</p> <p>Dewatering and repair of the low-level inlet pipe and stilling basin.</p> <p>Scheduled inspection.</p> <p>Environmental management of land associated with the Dams location.</p> <p>GRUMP decision support tool to manage flood risk.</p> <p>Revegetate land zone around the Bruce Eastick North Para Flood Mitigation Dam.</p>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ongoing – Still to realise actual funding commitment by State and Federal Government <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Completed <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Completion June 2020 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> On hold till late 2020 discussion with contractors <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Periodic inspections GRFMA officer level <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Annual land management lease in place <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Nearing completion due end June 2020 – delayed due to COVID-19 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Commenced June 2020

Financial Statements 2019-20

GAWLER RIVER FLOODPLAIN MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY
ANNUAL FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 June 2020
CERTIFICATION OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

We have been authorised by the Gawler River Floodplain Management Authority Council to certify the financial statements in their final form.

In our opinion:

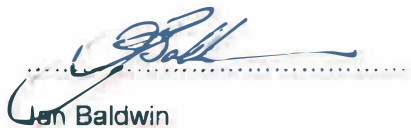
- the accompanying financial statements comply with the Local Government Act 1999, Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 2011 and Australian Accounting Standards.
- the financial statements present a true and fair view of the Authority's financial position at 30 June 2020 and the results of its operations and cash flows for the financial year.
- internal controls implemented by the Authority provide a reasonable assurance that the Authority's financial records are complete, accurate and reliable and were effective throughout the financial year.
- the financial statements accurately reflect the Authority's accounting and other records.



David Hitchcock

EXECUTIVE OFFICER

13/8/20



Ian Baldwin

CHAIRMAN

13/8/20

GAWLER RIVER FLOODPLAIN MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY

STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME for the year ended 30 June 2020

	Notes	2020 \$	2019 \$
INCOME			
Subscriptions	4	230,300	231,577
Investment income	1(d)	1,042	1,718
State Government Grants	3	98,980	-
Other Income		100	5,024
Total Income		330,422	238,319
EXPENSES			
Contractual Services	5	235,881	129,856
Depreciation	1(h), 11	321,163	233,081
Other		21,155	16,746
Total Expenses		578,198	379,684
OPERATING SURPLUS / (DEFICIT)		(247,776)	(141,365)
NET SURPLUS / (DEFICIT)		(247,776)	(141,365)
transferred to Equity Statement			
Other Comprehensive Income			
<i>Amounts which will not be reclassified subsequently to operating result</i>			
Changes in revaluation surplus - infrastructure, property, plant & equipment		-	5,830,163
Total Other Comprehensive Income		-	5,830,163
TOTAL COMPREHENSIVE INCOME		(247,776)	5,688,798

This Statement is to be read in conjunction with the attached Notes. Rounding may apply

GAWLER RIVER FLOODPLAIN MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION as at 30 June 2020

	Notes	2020 \$	2019 \$
ASSETS			
Current Assets			
Cash and cash equivalents	1(d)	151,764	66,902
Trade and Other Receivables		32,152	1,958
Total Current Assets		<u>183,916</u>	<u>68,860</u>
Non-current Assets			
Infrastructure	10	25,329,000	25,329,000
Accumulated Depreciation Infrastructure	1(h), 10	(3,795,163)	(3,474,000)
Land	10	477,000	477,000
Total Non-current Assets		<u>22,010,838</u>	<u>22,332,000</u>
Total Assets		<u>22,194,753</u>	<u>22,400,860</u>
LIABILITIES			
Current Liabilities			
Trade & other payables		41,669	-
Borrowings		-	-
Total Liabilities		<u>41,669</u>	<u>-</u>
NET ASSETS		<u>22,153,084</u>	<u>22,400,860</u>
EQUITY			
Accumulated Surplus		13,471,111	13,718,887
Asset Revaluation Reserves	1(g)	8,681,973	8,681,973
TOTAL EQUITY		<u>22,153,084</u>	<u>22,400,860</u>

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GAWLER RIVER FLOODPLAIN MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY for the year ended 30 June 2020

		Accumulated Surplus	Asset Revaluation Reserve	TOTAL EQUITY
2020	Notes	\$	\$	\$
Balance at end of previous reporting period		13,718,887	8,681,973	22,400,860
Restated opening balance		13,718,887	8,681,973	22,400,860
Net Surplus / (Deficit) for Year		(247,776)	-	(247,776)
Other Comprehensive Income				
Gain on revaluation of infrastructure, property, plant & equipment		-	-	-
Balance at end of period		13,471,111	8,681,973	22,153,084
2019				
Balance at end of previous reporting period		13,860,252	2,851,810	16,712,062
Restated opening balance		13,860,252	2,851,810	16,712,062
Net Surplus / (Deficit) for Year		(141,365)	-	(141,365)
Other Comprehensive Income				
Gain on revaluation of infrastructure, property, plant & equipment		-	5,830,163	5,830,163
Balance at end of period		13,718,887	8,681,973	22,400,860

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GAWLER RIVER FLOODPLAIN MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY

STATEMENT OF CASHFLOWS for the year ended 30 June 2020

	Notes	2020 \$	2019 \$
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES			
Receipts		299,175	236,374
Interest Receipts		1,055	1,800
Payments		<u>(215,367)</u>	<u>(146,602)</u>
Net Cash provided by (or used in) Operating Activities		84,863	91,572
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES			
<u>Payments</u>			
Expenditure on new/upgraded assets		-	(84,081)
Net Cash provided by (or used in) Investing Activities		-	(84,081)
Net Increase (Decrease) in cash held	8.1	84,863	7,491
Cash & cash equivalents at beginning of period		<u>66,902</u>	<u>59,412</u>
Cash & cash equivalents at end of period	8.2	<u>151,764</u>	<u>66,902</u>

This Statement is to be read in conjunction with the attached Notes. Rounding may apply

GAWLER RIVER FLOODPLAIN MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY

UNIFORM PRESENTATION OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS for the year ended 30 June 2020

	Notes	2020 \$	2019 \$
Operating Revenues		330,422	238,319
Less: Operating Expenses		(578,198)	(379,684)
Operating Surplus/(Deficit) before Capital Amounts		(247,776)	(141,365)
Less Net Outlays in Existing Assets			
Capital Expenditure on renewal and replacement of Existing Assets		-	-
Less Depreciation Amortisation and Impairment		(321,163)	(233,081)
Less Proceeds from Sale of Replaced Assets		-	-
		(321,163)	(233,081)
Less Net Outlays on New and Upgraded Assets			
Capital Expenditure on New and Upgraded Assets		-	84,081
Less Amounts received specifically for New and Upgraded Assets		-	-
Less Proceeds from Sale of Surplus Assets		-	-
		-	84,081
Net Lending / (Borrowing) for Financial Year		73,386	7,635

This Statement is to be read in conjunction with the attached Notes. Rounding may apply

**Gawler River Floodplain Management Authority
Notes to and forming part of the Financial Statements
for the year ended 30th June 2020**

Note 1 - Statement of Significant Accounting Policies

a) The Local Government Reporting Entity

This general purpose financial report has been prepared in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards as they apply to not-for-profit entities, other authoritative pronouncements of the Australian Accounting Standards Board, Interpretations and relevant South Australian legislation.

The Gawler River Floodplain Management Authority is a Regional Subsidiary under Section 43 and Schedule 2 of the Local Government Act 1999. The Constituent Councils are the Adelaide Hills Council, The Barossa Council, Town of Gawler, Light Regional Council, Adelaide Plains Council and The City of Playford.

All funds received and expended by the Authority have been included in the financial statements forming part of this financial report.

b) Basis of Accounting

This financial report has been prepared on an accrual basis and is based on historical costs and does not take into account changing money values, or except where specifically stated, current valuation of non-current assets.

c) Employees

The Authority has no employees.

d) Cash

For purposes of the statement of cash flows, cash includes cash deposits which are readily convertible to cash on hand and which are used in the cash management function on a day to day basis, net of outstanding bank overdraft.

e) Infrastructure

The Bruce Eastick North Para Flood Mitigation Dam was constructed in 2007. The valuation includes all materials, contractor's costs plus costs incidental to the acquisition, including engineering design and supervision fees and all other costs incurred.

f) Land

The dam land includes the land on which the dam is constructed, rights of way access to the land and 'right to flood' easements over the land upstream from the dam that will be inundated by dam waters for short periods of time during a flood event. The Board valuation was undertaken at 30th June 2011. Additional Land surrounding the dam was purchased in 2017/18 and was revalued by Asset Valuation and Consulting Pty Ltd in May 2017 for part lot 750 Kemp Road Kingsford.

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g) Revaluation

The Board sought an independent valuation to be applied as at 30th June 2019, of the Bruce Eastick North Para Flood Mitigation Dam. The Board recognises that the dam is a unique infrastructure. The Board sought the advice of Entura (Hydro Tasmania), who provided a replacement cost valuation based on the actual construction contract costs, including some 'owner's costs' which would be incurred in the event of a replacement being necessary. The estimate of the replacement cost was \$25.245 million at June 2019. In accordance with Accounting Standard (AASB)13 Fair Value Measurement, it is to be noted that valuation has been under level 3 valuation.

Fair value level 3 valuations of buildings, infrastructure and other assets – There is no known market for these assets and they are valued at depreciated current replacement cost. The method involves:

- The determination of the cost to construct the asset (or its modern engineering equivalent) using current prices for materials and labour, the quantities of each being estimated based on recent experience of this or similar Councils, or on industry construction guides where these are more appropriate.
- The calculation of the depreciation that would have accumulated since original construction using current estimates of residual value and useful life under the prime cost depreciation method adopted by Council.

The method has significant inherent uncertainties, relying on estimates of quantities of materials and labour, residual values and useful lives, and the possibility of changes in prices for materials and labour, and the potential for development of more efficient construction techniques.

h) Depreciation

The depreciation period for the Bruce Eastick North Para Flood Mitigation Dam is based straight line depreciation with an expected life of 80 years.

The depreciation period for the Access Road is based on straight line depreciation with an expected life of 15 years.

i) Revenue

Revenue from the Subscriptions is recognised upon the delivery of the service to customers.

Interest revenue is recognised on a proportional basis taking into account the interest rates applicable to the financial assets.

Revenue is stated net of the amount of goods and services tax (GST).

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Note 2 - Schedule of Constituent Council's Interest in Net Assets as at 30th June 2020

Prepared to meet the requirements of Clause 16.6 of the Charter

"The 'Schedule of Constituent Councils' Interests in Net Assets' will reflect the proportionate contribution each Constituent Council has made to the growth of the net assets of the Authority having regard to the proportionate contribution to subscriptions. The Schedule when updated by the Board at the end of each financial year will reflect the proportionate contribution of each Constituent Council since the commencement of the Authority and once accepted by each Constituent Council will be evidence of the agreed proportion of a Constituent Council's interests in the net assets as at 30 June in that year."

For the purposes of this Clause all subscriptions by Constituent Councils have been included.

This Schedule has been prepared on the basis that the Authority was 'wound up' on 30 June 2020. The value of infrastructure and land as stated in the Audited Financial Statements at 30th June have been included. Grants and contributions from the Commonwealth Government, State Government and Northern Adelaide Barossa Catchment Water Management Board that have contributed to these costs have not been deducted.

Calculation of Net Equity

Assets

Investments / Debtors	\$ 183,916
Infrastructure	\$ 21,533,837
Land	<u>\$ 477,000</u>
	\$ 22,194,753

Less Liabilities

Accounts Payable / Creditors	<u>\$ 41,669</u>
NET EQUITY	\$ 22,153,084

Allocation of Councils Interest in Net Assets

Constituent Councils	Accumulated Subscriptions for Operations to 30 June 2020	Accumulated Subscriptions for Maintenance to 30 June 2020	Accumulated Subscriptions for Scheme Works to 30 June 2020	All Subscriptions to 30 June 2020	Percentage of Contributions to the Total	Council's Interests in Net Assets
Adelaide Hills Council	\$147,760	\$5,481	\$70,988	\$224,229	4.23%	\$937,075
The Barossa Council	\$147,760	\$27,452	\$354,951	\$530,163	10.01%	\$2,217,524
Town of Gawler	\$147,760	\$54,864	\$709,892	\$912,516	17.23%	\$3,816,976

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Light Regional Council	\$147,760	\$27,452	\$354,951	\$530,163	10.01%	\$2,217,524
Adelaide Plains Council	\$147,760	\$91,538	\$1,183,146	\$1,422,444	26.85%	\$5,948,103
City of Playford	\$147,764	\$109,810	\$1,419,763	\$1,677,337	31.67%	\$7,015,882
	\$886,564	\$316,597	\$4,093,691	\$5,296,852	100%	\$22,153,084

Schedule of Constituent Councils' Interests in Net Assets' as at the 30th June 2020 adopted by the Board in accordance with Clause 16.6 of the Charter on 13 August 2020.

Note 3 - Functions / Activities of the Association

- a) Revenues and expenses have been attributed to the following functions / activities, descriptions of which are set out in Note b.
- b) The activities of the Authority are categorised into the following function / activities:
 - Administration: The operations of the Authority and its Board
 - Other Environment: Flood Mitigation
- c) Functions of the Gawler River Floodplain Management Authority (excluding depreciation)

	Year	Revenue		Expenses		Surplus (deficit)
		Grants	Other	Total Revenue	Expenses Total	
Administration	2020	-	\$146,042	\$146,042	\$90,152	\$55,890
	2019	-	\$148,842	\$148,842	\$75,351	\$73,491
Other Environment:	2020	\$98,980	\$ 85,400	\$184,380	\$166,883	\$17,497
Flood Mitigation	2019	-	\$ 89,477	\$ 89,477	\$71,251	\$32,251
Total	2020	\$98,980	\$231,442	\$330,422	\$257,035	\$73,387
	2019	-	\$238,319	\$102,028	\$146,602	\$91,717

Note 4 - Subscriptions

The following subscriptions were levied on the Constituent Councils in accordance with Clause 11.2 of the Charter for the year:

Constituent Council	Maintenance		Operations		TOTALS	
	2020	2019	2020	2019	2020	2019
Adelaide Hills Council	\$ 1,476	\$ 1,548	\$24,166	\$23,683	\$25,642	\$25,231
The Barossa Council	\$ 7,396	\$ 7,758	\$24,166	\$23,683	\$31,562	\$31,441
Town of Gawler	\$14,791	\$15,515	\$24,166	\$23,683	\$38,957	\$39,198
Light Regional Council	\$ 7,396	\$ 7,758	\$24,166	\$23,683	\$31,562	\$31,441
Adelaide Plains Council	\$24,660	\$25,868	\$24,166	\$23,683	\$48,826	\$49,551
City of Playford	\$29,581	\$31,030	\$24,170	\$23,683	\$53,751	\$54,713
TOTAL	\$85,300	\$89,477	\$145,000	\$142,098	\$230,300	\$231,575

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Note 5- Contractual Services

Contractual Services involve payments or liabilities for the external provision of services and include (net of GST):

Consultants	2020	2019
I Baldwin *	\$0	\$770
David Hitchcock	\$58,681	\$49,253
Ball PR	\$0	\$5,000
Water Technology	\$2,270	\$1,080
Entura	\$0	\$8,100
REMO Contractors	\$0	\$14,540
Norman Watehouse	\$500	\$0
HARC	\$0	\$38,360
HWL Ebswoth Lawyers	\$1,633	\$0
Business Risk A S Solutions	\$2,600	\$2,600
Steed Surveyors	\$0	\$4,050
Floodplain Management	\$900	\$0
SMEC	\$16,991	\$0
Safecom	\$27,714	\$0
Aurecon Australasia	\$5,102	\$0
Succession Ecology	\$4,292	\$0
Bushfire Natural Hazards CRC	\$101,266	\$0
Jeff Tate	\$6,875	\$0
HLB Mann Judd	\$7,057	\$6,103
TOTALS	\$235,881	\$129,856

* Payment of Chair Honorarium is noted
in Note 15 Related Party Disclosures

Note 6 - Comparison of Budget and Actual Results (excluding depreciation)

	2020		2019	
	Budget	Actual	Budget	Actual
Revenue				
Administration	\$146,400	\$146,042	\$148,536	\$148,842
Other Environment: Flood Mitigation	\$0	\$100	\$0	\$0
State Grant	\$110,980	\$98,980	\$0	\$0
Maintenance	\$85,300	\$85,300	\$89,476	\$89,477
Other Environment: Flood Mitigation Capital	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total Revenue	\$342,680	\$330,422	\$238,012	\$238,319
Expenditure				
Administration	\$89,095	\$90,152	\$78,622	\$75,351
Other Environment: Flood Mitigation	\$25,150	\$27,858	\$0	\$0
Maintenance	\$158,475	\$139,025	\$157,400	\$71,251
Other Environment: Flood Mitigation Capital				
Total Expenditure	\$272,720	\$257,035	\$236,022	\$146,602
Surplus (deficit)	\$69,960	\$73,387	\$1,990	\$91,717

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Note 7 - Expenditure Commitment

- i. An agreement has been entered into with David Hitchcock to provide Executive Officer and Supervision of Consultants services to 31 December 2021.

Note 8 - Reconciliation Statement of Cash Flows

Cash Flows from Operating Activities	2020	2019
Net deficit from operations	(\$247,776)	(\$139,496)
Adjust for non-cash items		
Depreciation	\$321,163	\$231,213
Decrease in Debtors	(\$ 30,194)	(\$146)
Increase in Creditors	\$ 41,669	\$0
Works on Access Road	\$ 0	(\$84,227)
Net Cash Increase from operating activities	\$ 84,862	\$7,344

8.2 Cash and cash equivalents

Balance at bank	\$ 6,873	\$3,034
Balance at LGFA	\$144,891	\$63,868
Total cash and cash equivalents	\$151,764	\$66,902

Note 9 -Economic Dependence

The Gawler River Floodplain Management Authority (GRFMA) was formed as a Regional Subsidiary under Section 43 and Schedule 2 of the Local Government Act 1999 in August 2002, by a Charter that was amended and published in The South Australian Government Gazette on 27th February 2020 at page 474.

The Gawler River Floodplain Management Authority (GRFMA) is dependent upon subscriptions levied on the Constituent Councils in accordance with Clause 11.1of the Charter for its continued existence and ability to co-ordinate the construction, operation and maintenance of flood mitigation infrastructure for the Gawler River.

No other payments have been made to Key Management Personnel of the Gawler River Floodplain Management Authority.

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Note 10 - Non-Current Assets Summary

	Fair Value Level	2020				2019			
		At Fair Value	At Cost	Accum Dep'n	Carrying Amount	At Fair Value	At Cost	Accum Dep'n	Carrying Amount
Land and easements	-	\$477,000	-	-	\$477,000	\$477,000	-	-	\$477,000
North Para Dam Access Roads	3	\$84,000	-	(\$8,600)	\$75,400	\$84,000	-	(\$3,000)	\$81,000
North Para Dam	3	\$25,245,000	-	(\$3,786,563)	\$21,458,437	\$25,245,000	-	(\$3,471,000)	\$21,774,000
Total Infrastructure and Land		\$25,806,000	-	(\$3,795,163)	\$22,010,837	\$25,806,000	-	(\$3,474,000)	\$22,332,000
Comparatives		\$25,806,000	-	(\$3,474,000)	\$22,332,000	\$18,823,364	\$139,323	(\$2,311,850)	\$16,650,837

	2019		Carrying Amount Movements During the Year						2020
	Carrying Amount	Additions		Disposals	Depreciation	Impairment	Transfers	Net Valuation	Carrying Amount
		New Upgrade	Renewals						
Land and easements	\$477,000	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$477,000
Access Roads	\$81,000	-	-	-	(\$5,600)	-	-	-	\$75,400
Infrastructure - North Para Dam	\$21,774,000	-	-	-	(\$315,563)	-	-	-	\$21,458,437
Total Infrastructure, Property, Plant & Equipment	\$22,332,000	-	-	-	(\$321,163)	-	-	-	\$22,010,837
Comparatives	\$16,650,837	\$84,081	-	-	(\$233,081)	-	-	\$5,830,163	\$22,332,000

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Note 11 - Financial Instruments

All financial instruments are categorised as *loans and receivables*.

Accounting Policies - Recognised Financial Instruments

Bank, Deposits at Call, Short Term Deposits	<p>Accounting Policy: initially recognised at fair value and subsequently measured at amortised cost, interest is recognised when earned</p> <p>Terms & conditions: Deposits are returning fixed interest rates between 0.25% and 1.25% (2019: 1.25% and 1.5%).</p> <p>Carrying amount: approximates fair value due to the short term to maturity.</p>
Receivables - Fees & other charges	<p>Accounting Policy: initially recognised at fair value and subsequently measured at amortised cost. An impairment provision is recognised using the expected credit loss method</p> <p>Terms & conditions: Unsecured, and do not bear interest. Although the authority is not materially exposed to any individual debtor, credit risk exposure is concentrated within the Authorities boundaries.</p> <p>Carrying amount: approximates fair value (after deduction of any allowance).</p>
Liabilities - Creditors and Accruals	<p>Accounting Policy: Liabilities are recognised for amounts to be paid in the future for goods and services received, whether or not billed to the Authority.</p> <p>Terms & conditions: Liabilities are normally settled on 30 day terms.</p> <p>Carrying amount: approximates fair value.</p>

Liquidity Analysis

2020	Due < 1 year	Due > 1 year ≤ 5 years	Due > 5 years	Total Contractual Cash Flows	Carrying Values
Financial Assets	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Cash & Equivalents	151,764	-	-	-	151,764
Receivables	32,152	-	-	-	32,152
Total	183,916	-	-	-	183,916
Financial Liabilities					
Payables	41,669	-	-	-	41,669
Total	41,669	-	-	-	41,669
2019	Due < 1 year	Due > 1 year; ≤ 5 years	Due > 5 years	Total Contractual Cash Flows	Carrying Values
Financial Assets	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Cash & Equivalents	66,902	-	-	-	66,9602
Receivables	1,958	-	-	-	1,958
Total	68,860	-	-	-	68,860

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Net Fair Value

All carrying values approximate fair value for all recognised financial instruments. There is no recognised market for the financial assets of the Council.

Risk Exposures:

Credit Risk represents the loss that would be recognised if counterparties fail to perform as contracted. The maximum credit risk on financial assets of the Authority is the carrying amount, net of any impairment. All Authority investments are made with the SA Local Government Finance Authority and are guaranteed by the SA Government. Except as detailed in Notes 5 & 6 in relation to individual classes of receivables, exposure is concentrated within the Authorities boundaries, and there is no material exposure to any individual debtor.

Market Risk is the risk that fair values of financial assets will fluctuate as a result of changes in market prices. All of the Authorities financial assets are denominated in Australian dollars and are not traded on any market, and hence neither market risk nor currency risk apply.

Liquidity Risk is the risk that Authority will encounter difficulty in meeting obligations with financial liabilities. In accordance with the model Treasury Management Policy (LGA Information Paper 15), liabilities have a range of maturity dates.

Interest Rate Risk is the risk that future cash flows will fluctuate because of changes in market interest rates. The Authority has a balance of both fixed and variable interest rate borrowings and investments. Cash flow fluctuations are managed holistically in seeking to minimise interest costs over the longer term in a risk averse manner.

Note 12 Uniform Presentation of Financial Statements

		2020	2019
	Notes	\$	\$
Operating Revenues		330,422	238,319
Less: Operating Expenses		(578,198)	(379,684)
Operating Surplus/(Deficit) before Capital Amounts		(247,776)	(141,365)
Less Net Outlays in Existing Assets			
Capital Expenditure on renewal and replacement of Existing Assets		-	-
Less Depreciation Amortisation and Impairment		(321,163)	(233,081)
Less Proceeds from Sale of Replaced Assets		-	-
		(321,163)	(233,081)
Less Net Outlays on New and Upgraded Assets			
Capital Expenditure on New and Upgraded Assets		-	84,081
Less Amounts received specifically for New and Upgraded Assets		-	-
Less Proceeds from Sale of Surplus Assets		-	-
		-	84,081
Net Lending / (Borrowing) for Financial Year		73,386	7,635
This Statement is to be read in conjunction with the attached Notes			

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Note 13 – Contingencies & Assets & Liabilities not recognised in the Balance Sheet

There are no contingencies, asset or liabilities not recognised in the financial statements for the year ended 30 June 2020.

Note 14 - Events Occurring After Reporting Date

There were no events subsequent to 30 June 2020 that need to be disclosed in the financial statements.

Note 15 - Related Parties Disclosures

Key Management Personnel

The Key Management Personnel of the Gawler River Floodplain Management Authority (GRFMA) include the Chair, Board Members, Deputy Board Members and Executive Officer. In all Key Management Personnel were paid the following total compensation:

Salaries, honorarium allowances & Other Short Term Benefits	2020 \$	2019 \$
	\$66,930	\$57,012
TOTAL	\$66,930	\$57,012

	Amounts received from Related Party during the financial year	Amounts outstanding from Related Party at the end of the financial year
	2020 \$	2019 \$
Adelaide Hills Council	\$25,642	\$0
The Barossa Council	\$31,562	\$0
Town of Gawler	\$38,957	\$0
Light Regional Council	\$31,562	\$0
Adelaide Plains Council	\$48,826	\$0
City of Playford	\$53,751	\$0
TOTAL	\$230,300	\$0

The Authority has been established for the following purposes:

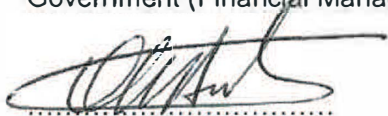
1. To co-ordinate the construction, operation and maintenance of flood mitigation infrastructure for the Gawler River. This purpose is the core business of the Authority;
2. To raise finance for the purpose of developing, managing and operating and maintaining works approved by the board;
3. To provide a forum for the discussion and consideration of topics relating to the Constituent Council's obligations and responsibilities in relation to management of flood mitigation for the Gawler River;
4. Upon application of one or more Constituent Councils pursuant to clause 3.2:
 1. to coordinate the construction, maintenance and promotion and enhancement of the Gawler River and areas adjacent to the Gawler River as recreational open space for the adjacent communities: and
 2. to enter into agreements with one or more of the Constituent Councils for the purpose of managing and developing the Gawler River.

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CERTIFICATION OF AUDITOR INDEPENDENCE

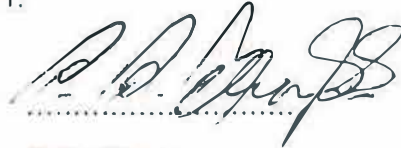
To the best of our knowledge and belief, we confirm that, for the purpose of the audit of the Gawler River Floodplain Management Authority for the year ended 30 June 2020 the Authority's Auditor Dean Newbery and Partners has maintained its independence in accordance with the requirements of the Local Government Act 1999 and the Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 2011 made under that Act.

This statement is prepared in accordance with the requirements of Regulation 22(3) Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 2011.



David Hitchcock

EXECUTIVE OFFICER



Peter Brass

PRESIDING MEMBER AUDIT COMMITTEE

4/8/2020



Ian Baldwin


CHAIR GRFMA

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CERTIFICATION OF AUDITOR INDEPENDENCE

To the best of our knowledge and belief, we confirm that, for the purpose of the audit of the Gawler River Floodplain Management Authority for the year ended 30 June 2020 the Authority's Auditor Dean Newbery and Partners has maintained its independence in accordance with the requirements of the *Local Government Act 1999 and the Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 2011* made under that Act.


This statement is prepared in accordance with the requirements of Regulation 22(3) *Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 2011*.


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Certification of Auditor's Independence

I confirm that, for the audit of the financial statements of the Gawler River Floodplain Management Authority for the year ended 30 June 2020, I have maintained my independence in accordance with the requirements of APES 110 – Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants, Section 290, published by the Accounting Professional and Ethical Standards Board, in accordance with the *Local Government Act 1999 and the Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 2011* made under that Act.

This statement is prepared in accordance with the requirements of Regulation 22 (5) *Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 2011*.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'JK' with a flourish.

Jim Keogh
Partner

DEAN NEWBERY & PARTNERS
CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS

Dated the 18th day of August 2020

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF THE GAWLER RIVER FLOODPLAIN MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY

Opinion

We have audited the financial report of the Gawler River Floodplain Management Authority (the Authority), which comprises the Statement of Financial Position as at 30 June 2020, the Statement of Comprehensive Income, the Statements of Changes in Equity, the Statement of Cash Flows for the year then ended, and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies, and other explanatory information and the Certification of Financial Statements.

In our opinion, the financial report presents fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Authority as at 30 June 2020, and its financial performance and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with the *Local Government Act 1999*, *Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 2011* and the Australian Accounting Standards (including Australian Accounting Interpretations).

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described as in the *Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Report* section of our report. We are independent of the Authority in accordance with the ethical requirements of the Accounting Professional and Ethical Standards Board's APES 110 *Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants* (the Code) that are relevant to our audit of the financial report in Australia. We have also fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the Code.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Other Information other than the Financial Report and Auditor's Report Thereon

The Authority is responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information included in the Authority's annual report for the year ended 30 June 2020, but does not include the financial report and our auditor's report thereon. Our opinion on the financial report does not cover the other information and accordingly we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon. In connection with our audit of the financial report, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial report or our knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact. We have nothing to report in this regard.

Responsibility for the Financial Report

The Authority is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial report in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards and the *Local Government Act 1999* and the *Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 2011*. The Authority's responsibility includes establishing and maintaining internal control relevant to preparation and fair presentation of the financial report so that it is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial report, the Authority is responsible for assessing the Authority's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters relating to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless management either intends to liquidate the entity or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

Those charged with governance are responsible for overseeing the Authority's financial reporting process.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Report

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial report as a whole is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that the audit conducted in accordance with the Australian Auditing Standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of financial report.

As part of an audit in accordance with the Australian Auditing Standards, we exercise professional judgement and maintain professional scepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial report, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by those charged with governance.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of the Authority's use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial report or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Authority to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial report, including the disclosures, and whether the financial report represents the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

We communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

DEAN NEWBERY & PARTNERS CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS



JIM KEOGH
PARTNER

Signed on the 18th day of August 2020,
at 214 Melbourne Street, North Adelaide