

CONFIDENTIAL REPORTS BY OFFICERS

Item Number	7.1
Title	GAWLER EAST LINK ROAD UPDATE – KEY FINANCIAL ELEMENTS
Date	7 February 2018
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Previous Reference/ Motion	Council, 18/01/2018, Motion No: 2018:01:02 & 2018:01:04

In accordance with Sections 83(5) and 84(6) of the Local Government Act, 1999 – the Chief Executive Officer considers that this item may be considered in confidence by the Council on the grounds set out below (and therefore will remain confidential until the Council resolves how this item is to be classified).

A further written report will be considered by Members at the Meeting after the following recommendation is carried.

OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION

Item 7.1 – Gawler East Link Road Update Report (CC17/448)

That:

1. Pursuant to Sections 90(2) and 90(3) (j) of the Local Government Act 1999 (the Act), the Council orders that the public be excluded from attendance at that part of this meeting relating to Item 7.1 excepting the following persons:

- Chief Executive Officer
- Manager Development, Environment & Regulatory Services
- Manager Infrastructure & Engineering Services
- Manager Library & Community Services
- Manager Finance & Corporate Services
- Manager Business Enterprises & Communications
- Senior Projects Manager
- Minute Taker

to enable the Council to consider Item 7.1 in confidence on the basis the Council considers it necessary and appropriate to act in a meeting closed to the public (excepting those persons listed above) in order to receive, discuss or consider in confidence the following information or matter relating to Item 7.1:

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- (j) information the disclosure of which—**
 - (i) would divulge information provided on a confidential basis by or to a Minister of the Crown, or another public authority or official (not being an employee of the council, or a person engaged by the council); and**
 - (ii) would, on balance, be contrary to the public interest;**

Specifically, the present matter relates to the Gawler East Link Road and information which has been provided to the Council by the Department of Planning Transport and Infrastructure, pertaining to contract procurement, project delivery and related legal advice. This information was communicated to the Council on a confidential basis.

The Council has considered the public interest in relation to whether to make this order. The prevailing public interest in these circumstances is the delivery by the State Government of a major public works project. The release of this information at this stage may compromise the delivery of a proposed significant roadwork project, which is intended to benefit the Gawler Community and the public in general. The Council considers that, on balance, disclosure would be contrary to the public interest at this time.

- 2. Accordingly, on this basis, the principle that meetings of the Council should be conducted in a place open to the public has been outweighed by the need to keep the information or matter confidential.**
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