
M E E T I N G M I N U T E S

Committee **Gawler River Floodplain Management Authority**
Held On **Thursday 18 October 2018 at 9.45 am**
Location **Adelaide Plains Council, Mallala.**

WELCOME

Mr Ian Baldwin formally welcomed Board Members, Deputy Board Members, Observers and the Executive Officer and opened the 106th meeting of the Board.

PRESENT

*Mr Ian Baldwin, Independent Board Member, Chair
Mr Marc Salver, Adelaide Hills Council, Deputy Board Member
Mayor Bob Sloane, The Barossa Council, Board Member
Mr Gary Mavrinac, The Barossa Council, Board Member
Mr Mal Hemmerling, City of Playford, Board Member
Cr Denis Davey, City of Playford, Board Member
Mr James Miller, Adelaide Plains Council, Board Member
Cr Mel Lawrence, Adelaide Plains Council, Board Member
Cr Adrian Shackley, Town of Gawler, Board Member
Mr Ben De Gilio, Town of Gawler, Deputy Board Member
Mr Andrew Philpott, Light Regional Council, Deputy Board Member
Mr David Hitchcock, Executive Officer*

GRB 18/67 Observers

Moved: Mr. J Miller Seconded: Cr D Davey

That Cr Terry-Anne Keen, Adelaide Plains Council, be appointed as Observer.

CARRIED

APOLOGIES

*Mr. Brian Carr, Light Regional Council, Board Member
Cr William Close, Light Regional Council, Board Member
Cr Malcolm Herrmann, Adelaide Hills Council, Board Member
Mr Sam Dilena, Gawler Council, Board Member*

GRB 18/68 Minutes of the 16/8/18 GRFMA meeting

Moved: Mr. G Mavrinac

Seconded: Mr. Miller

That the Minutes of the Gawler River Floodplain Management Authority Board meeting held 16/8/18 be confirmed as a true and accurate record of that meeting.

CARRIED

Mr. Greg Pattinson, City of Playford, Deputy Board Member arrived at 10.02am.

GRB 18/69 Questions on Notice – Adelaide Plains Council

Moved: Mr. A Philpott

Seconded: Mayor B Sloane

That the report on Questions on Notice be received

CARRIED

The Adelaide Plains Council submitted the following Questions on Notice.
Relevant answers are provided

Adelaide Plains Council gave notice of the intention to ask the following questions to be submitted to the 18 October 2018 meeting:	
Preamble	Questions to be asked of the Gawler River Floodplain Management Authority to be answered entirely on the basis that questions posed relate to the Gawler River Reference Group. <u>Note by GRFMA CEO</u> <i>Members would be aware that the same 9 questions were tabled and answered at the 16/8/18 GRFMA meeting. At the time of compiling answers for the 16/8/18 meeting it was recognised that the questions might have been more appropriately worded to reflect intent to seek information regarding the Gawler River Reference Group and for completeness information regarding the Reference Group was also included in the answers along with those provided for the Technical Assessment Panel. As such a material portion of information now provided remains the same as previously provided.</i>
Question 1:	Copy for Council of GRFMA terms of reference of the subcommittee that recommended that the board take the option of the (Northern Floodway)?
Answer 1	The terms of Reference for the Reference Group (which were confirmed at the first meeting of the Reference Group) were as follows: • Promote dialogue between landholders and the GRFMA's Technical Assessment Panel. • Contribute to the identification of flood mitigation options to be assessed for the lower Gawler River and presented to the GRFMA. • Provide feedback on the merit of the options assessed. • Identify a preferred option (or provide a short list of preferred options up to three) for presentation to the GRFMA. • Have its views and decisions noted and reported to the GRFMA by Australian Water Environments. In this regard Australian Water Environments role was to:

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ensure that the views of the Reference Group are documented and summarised in its report to the GRFMA. • In the event that there is not a agreement within the Reference Group on a single preferred option then AWE will present up to three alternative options in their report to the GRFMA. <p>The Reference Group was chaired by Mr Ian Baldwin (Presiding Member GRFMA)</p>
<p>Question 2:</p> <p>Answer 2</p>	<p>Names and addresses of the sub committee</p> <p><i>Technical Assessment Panel</i> <i>Mr Ian Baldwin, Independent Chair</i> <i>Mr Bill Lipp, Principal Stormwater Engineer, DPTI</i> <i>Ms Chrissie Bloss, Flood Hazard Leader, DEWNR</i> <i>Mr Dean Gollan, Executive Officer</i> <i>Mr Alex Zimmermann, Northern Adelaide Plains Recovery Coordinator, Observer</i> <i>Mr Geoff Fisher, Australian Water Environments, Observer</i> <i>Mr Derek Moore, Principal Engineer, Dams, SA Water</i></p> <p><i>Reference Group</i> <i>Adrian Marschall, VRAG Chairperson</i> <i>John Bergamin, Local resident</i> <i>Dino Musolino, Chairperson HortEx</i> <i>Danny De Ieso, AUSVEG SA</i> <i>Peter Rentoulis, Proxy to chairperson of HortEx</i> <i>Michael Picard, Local resident</i> <i>Barrie Ormsby, Landscape Architect</i> <i>Phil Earl, Local resident</i></p>
<p>Question 3:</p> <p>Answer 4</p>	<p>How was membership application advertised?</p> <p>The GRFMA Technical Assessment Panel meeting of 16/11/16 identified the persons to be invited for membership of the Reference Group to assist with the work requested by GRFMA.</p> <p><i>Mr Alex Zimmermann, Northern Adelaide Plains Recovery Coordinator assisted with identification of the relevant persons based on his knowledge and interaction with the community as the Recovery Coordinator post the 2016 Flood event.</i></p>
<p>Question 4:</p> <p>Answer 4</p>	<p>Minutes of meetings to be made available to all GRFMA member Councils?</p> <p><i>Available Notes from meetings of the Lower Gawler River Reference Group are attached to the 18/10/18 Agenda information.</i></p>
<p>Question 5:</p> <p>Answer 5</p>	<p>When and where meetings were held?</p> <p><i>Meetings of the Lower Gawler River Reference Group were held 30/11/16, 8/12/16 and 14/12/16.</i></p> <p><i>Meetings were held at 198 Greenhill Road EASTWOOD</i></p>
<p>Question 6:</p>	<p>How were meetings called, what prior warning was given?</p>

	<i>Meetings of the Lower Gawler River Reference Group were held as agreed by members.</i>
Question 7:	<p>Why was the meeting still held when it was known that no balanced representation from the northern side of the river would be present and any vote would be therefore be biased?</p> <p><i>Refer to Q8 Answer which provides information on the qualitative and quantitative approach undertaken in considering report recommendations.</i></p>
Question 8:	<p>What was the reasons given for choosing this option? What and how were other options discounted?</p> <p><i>Refer to 2016 Gawler River Flood Review Report – Item 4 - Flood Mitigation Options (pages 11-15) and Item 5 - Discussion and Recommendations (Pages 20-21) Available on the GRFMA website https://www.gawler.sa.gov.au/grfma/grfma-board</i></p>
Question 9:	<p>Why was there not attempt to contact ratepayers or council north of the river once it was known that there was a disproportionate membership of the sub committee to decide this matter?</p> <p><i>Refer to 2016 Gawler River Flood Review Report – Item 4 - Flood Mitigation Options (pages 11-15) and Item 5 - Discussion and Recommendations (Pages 20-21) Available on the GRFMA website https://www.gawler.sa.gov.au/grfma/grfma-board</i></p>

GRB 18/70 Northern Floodway Project Public Relations

Moved: Mr. M Hemmerling

Seconded: Mr. M Salver

That the GRFMA:

- 1. Note the report; and**
- 2. Receive the correspondence from Adelaide Plains Council**

CARRIED

GRB 18/71 GRFMA Charter Review

Moved: Mr. G Mavrinc.

Seconded: Mr. M Salver

That the GRFMA

- 1. Note the report:**
- 2. Request the Charter Review Reference Group to consider draft document amendments in relation to:**
 - a. inclusion of a preamble/background;**
 - b. inclusion of objectives;**
 - c. use of wording to reflect flood management (rather than floodplain management) related to the Gawler River;**
 - d. inclusion of environmental stewardship principles.;**

3. **Following peer/legal review of any amended draft document receive and discuss a copy of the draft of the GRFMA Charter (Review) at the 13 December 2018 GRFMA meeting.**

CARRIED

Members of the Working Group noted that the review was drafted as a first stage approach with a more substantive review required at a further date and it will be important to ensure “scope creep” does not occur. Board Members also discussed matters relating to proposed funding contribution capping and likely impacts on councils and funding submissions.

GRB 18/72 AUSVEG SA and salinity management

Moved Mr. M Salver

Seconded: Cr M Lawrence

That the inquiry from AUSVEG SA regarding salinity management be referred to a more appropriate contact process with the City of Playford and City of Salisbury which are currently considering these issues in their Storm Water Management Plans.

CARRIED

The meeting adjourned at 10.55 am for a short break.

The meeting reconvened at 11.15 am.

GRB 18/73 Landscape SA Act

Moved Mr. G Mavrinc

Seconded: Mr. M Hemmerling

That the report be received.

CARRIED

GRB 18/74 Executive Officer's current contract

Moved Mr. Miller

Seconded: Mr .M Hemmerling

That the report be received.

CARRIED

GRB 18/75 Financial Report

Moved Mr. M Hemmerling

Seconded: Mayor B Sloane

That the GRFMA.

- 1. Adopts the Budget Review Documents for 30 September 2018 for the 2018/2019 financial year; and**
- 2. That the financial report as at 30 September 2018 showing a balance of total funds available of \$ 173,565.07 be received.**

CARRIED

GRB 18/76 Correspondence

Moved Mr. M Hemmerling

Seconded: Cr D Davey

That the GRFMA:

1. Receive the correspondence;
2. Authorise the Executive Officer to continue discussion with the Walker Corporation (and City of Playford) to engage the State Government, as the Major Project Authority for Buckland Park, regarding benefits of the Northern Floodway Project.

CARRIED

GRB 18/77 In Confidence 11.30am

Moved Mr. G Mavrinac

Seconded: Mr. A Philpott

Pursuant to Section 90(2) of the Local Government Act 1999, an Order is made that the public be excluded from attendance at the meeting, in order to consider in confidence agenda item 10.1 Consequence Assessment, under Section 90(3)(d) of the Local Government Act 1999 on the basis that:

(d) commercial information of a confidential nature (not being a trade secret) the disclosure of which— (i) could reasonably be expected to prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied the information, or to confer a commercial advantage on a third party; and (ii) would, on balance, be contrary to the public interest;

This matter is confidential because it includes quotations for provision of services and requires determination of a suitable and preferred supplier.

On the basis of this information, the principle that meetings of the GRFMA Board should be conducted in a place open to the public has been outweighed in this instance: the Board consider it necessary to consider this matter in confidence.

CARRIED

GRB 18/78 Consequence Assessment - See separate confidential meeting minute

GRB 18/79 Out of Confidence 11.40 am

Moved Mr. J Miller

Seconded: Mr. M Hemmerling

Pursuant to Section 90(2) and Section 91(7) of the Local Government Act 1999, the GRFMA orders that the following aspects of item 10.1 Consequence Assessment be kept confidential in accordance with the GRFMA Boards reasons to deal with this item in confidence pursuant to section 90(3) (d) of the Local Government Act 1999:

- Report for Item 10.1.
- Attachments for item 10.1.

This order shall operate until reviewed and determined as part of the annual review by the Authority in accordance with Section 91(9)(a) of the Local Government Act 1999.

The Executive Officer is delegated authority to publicly release Information regarding GRFMA Board determination of the preferred supplier and the accepted quotation costing.

CARRIED

The GRFMA considered quotations in relation to provision of services to undertake a Consequence Category Assessment for the Bruce Eastick Flood Mitigation Dam and resolved that Hydrology and Risk Consulting Pty Ltd (HARC) be determined as the preferred supplier at cost of \$33,560 excluding GST. Additional costs of \$4,800 excluding GST for mapping was also accepted.

Urgent Business without notice.

Mr. Ian Baldwin, GRFMA Chairperson, advised he had been approached by Media for further comments regarding the Northern Floodway Project and sought direction on approaches for further communication strategies. It was agreed that the Chairperson would liaise with the City of Playford Communications Team for assistance.

The Chairperson also noted pending Council elections and wished best outcomes to Elected Council Member GRFMA Board Members. Following further discussion, it was agreed that Councils will be in a position to advise the GRFMA Executive Officer of election results and relevant GRFMA Board Member appointments prior to the 13 December 2017 GRFMA meeting.

Closure of meeting

The Chairperson thanked the Adelaide Plains Council for hospitality as host and noted the next Ordinary Board Meeting will be held 9.45 am, Thursday 13 December 2018 at the City of Playford.

Meeting closed 11.45 am.

Confirmed Chairperson