



## MINUTES

# FLOODPLAIN RISK MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE (CENTRAL AREA)

at 5.00 pm

Thursday 2 April 2020

### In Attendance

Councillor J Dorahy - (Chair), Councillor T Brown, Councillor C Blakey, A Monk – Transport for NSW, N Pomfret - Department of Planning, Industry and Environment, I Ghetti – Transport and Stormwater Services Manager (Acting), O Garratt - Floodplain and Stormwater Unit Leader, M Rahman– Floodplain Management Engineer, D Green – Land use Planning Manager, R Summers – Community Representative, C San Gil – Community Representative, M Kulig and P Kulig - Community Representatives, J Groves - Community Representative, L Collins – Advisian, C Thomas – Guest, E Dreghorn – Administration Officer, J Heins - Civil Engineering Cadet



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## 1 STANDING AGENDA ITEMS

### 1.1 Welcome and Introduction

In line with NSW Health guidelines about Novel Coronavirus, we have made some changes to the way we are engaging the community, to keep our staff and people in our community safe. Instead of having face-to-face conversations with people meetings are currently being conducted via video, audio and by electronic communication.

This meeting was held via Skype with the majority of members attending by video and audio conference from 5.00pm.

### 1.2 Acknowledgement of Country

The traditional owners of the land were acknowledged.

### 1.3 Apologies

Apologies were received and accepted on behalf of J Conran, A Heaven, Y Pandika, A Aguiar, P Milesvksi and B Fitzpatrick. J Harvey and S Milling were noted as absent.

### 1.4 Disclosures of Interest

Nil

### 1.5 Confirmation of Minutes of Previous Minutes

The Minutes of the Meeting held on 17 October 2019 were accepted.

## 2 FLOOD MANAGEMENT UPDATE

### 2.1 Fairy and Cabbage Tree Creeks Flood Study Review

The consultant from Advisian provided a detailed presentation to the Committee regarding the flood behaviour process of calibration which highlighted the updated flood mode. The committee noted the high quality of the presentation by the consultant.

The Committee endorsed the flood study for public exhibition. The Flood Study will be on exhibition in April/May and a report to Council submitted following exhibition.

### 2.2 Fairy and Cabbage Tree Creeks Floodplain Risk Management Study and Plan Review

Council has received funding for the floodplain risk management study and plan. The floodplain risk management study and plan will commence following adoption of the Flood Study.

### 2.3 Allans Creek Floodplain Risk Management Study and Plan Review

Council is currently reviewing applications for the Study and Plan Review which is funded by the Department of Planning, Industry, and Environment. The outcome of the successful applicant will be notified in May.

## 2.4 Floodplain Management Grant Applications

Grant applications for funding from The Department of Planning, Industry, and Environment are currently open.

In the Central area, Council will be making applications for the Wollongong City Floodplain Risk Management Study and Plan and the Detailed Design of the McMahon Street Detention Basin. Council will also apply for the Collins Creek Floodplain Risk Management Study and Plan, Ursula Road Detailed Design and construction of debris control structures at Memorial Drive and Gordon Hutton Park.

## 3 GENERAL BUSINESS

### 3.1 Business Arising from Previous Minutes

Reference was made to the response to Mr Rigby's query regarding Allan's Creek. Council staff and the consultant clarified they are satisfied the hydrologic model is valid based on the model calibration and validation. LC from Advisian highlighted the modelling process involved detailed calibration and validation.

The Northview Estate Flooding Residents Action Group (NEFRAG) representatives recently discussed with Transport for NSW concerns regarding debris in Allan's Creek.

The hydrologic model will be further tested in the floodplain risk management study and plan (FRMS/P). The Floodplain Risk Management Study and plan will be awarded to the successful consultant in May and will commence in May 2020.

## 4 NEXT MEETING

A date for the next meeting is yet to be determined.

## 5 LATE ITEM

Council wishes to acknowledge and thank John Mathieson and Bernie Fitzpatrick for their contribution to the Floodplain Risk Management Committee for the central area as they have advised that are no longer able to act as local community representatives.

## 6 CLOSE MEETING

The meeting closed at 6.24pm.