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ITEM C

## LORD MAYORAL MINUTE - 20TH ANNIVERSARY OF 1998 WOLLONGONG FLOODS

## RECOMMENDATION

I recommend that Wollongong City Council -

- 1 Note the 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary of one of the most significant rainfall events in the City's history which occurred on 17 August 1998.
- 2 Acknowledges the pain, grief and trauma that the event caused residents, the extensive damage, loss of property and infrastructure.
- 3 Note that over the past 20 years Wollongong City Council has expended approximately \$40 million on capital works, voluntary acquisition of flood affected homes and flood studies to address inundation events such as the one on 17 August 1998. Wollongong City Council will continue to apply resources to address such events in our unique geographic context.
- 4 Note the continued engagement with the State Government and other agencies for ongoing funding to address flooding issues and mitigation. Wollongong City Council has committed to spend \$24.7 million over the next 4 years on storm water capital and flood management as well as \$9.04 million on storm water and flood operations and maintenance.

## **ATTACHMENTS**

There are no attachments for this report.