



## Minutes of Wollondilly Floodplain Risk Management Committee

Tuesday 31 October 2017 at 2pm  
Council's Boardroom, Wollondilly Shire Council Admin Building

The meeting was chaired by Mike Nelson, Wollondilly Shire Council and declared open at 2.10pm.

	Item	Action/Officer
1	<b>Acknowledgement of Country</b> Acknowledgement of Country was undertaken out by Mike Nelson	
2	<b>Disclosure of Interest</b> No declarations of interest were made	
3	<b>Attendance and Apologies</b> <b>Attendance:</b> Cr Matthew Deeth participated in the meeting via phone conference Rod Wonson – SES Member Norman Dent – Community Member Trent Noonan - Community Member Jack Wilton – Community Member Roger Palmer – Community Member Chris Hughes – Community Member Leonie Gray - Community Member Wafaa Wasif – OEH Roy Golaszewski – Advisian Chris Thomas - Advisian Mike Nelson - Wollondilly Shire Council Ian Berthon – Wollondilly Shire Council David Henry - Wollondilly Shire Council Peter Wright – Wollondilly Shire Council Carolyn Whitten - Wollondilly Shire Council Robyne Ryan – Wollondilly Shire Council <b>Apologies:</b> Michael Silm – Community Member Garry Barnott-Clement – SES Cr Robert Khan	
4	<b>Presentation – Wafaa Wasif - OEH</b> A presentation was made by Wafaa Wasiff from OEH on the Introduction and Overview of Floodplain Management in NSW.	Presentation will be made available in the Committee cloud link

<b>5</b>	<b>Stonequarry Creek – Final Draft Flood Study</b>	
<b>5a</b>	<b>Stonequarry Creek – Final Draft Flood Study Roy Golaszewski - Advisian</b>	
	A presentation was made by Roy Golaszewski from Advisian on the methodology and outcomes of the Draft Flood Study.	Presentation will be made available in the Committee cloud link
<b>5b</b>	<b>Recommendation to Council</b>	
	The committee discussed and agreed to recommend that Council place the Flood Study on public exhibition.	Recommendation from the Committee will be reported to Council in December
<b>6</b>	<b>Update – FRM Study &amp; Plan</b>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Request for Quotes closed on Friday 27 October and Council is intending to engage a consultant to carry out the Floodplain Risk Management Study. The Committee will be notified when successful consultant has been engaged.</li> <li>Council is hoping to run the early consultation for the Floodplain Risk Management Study together with the Draft Flood Study exhibition.</li> </ul>	
<b>7</b>	<b>Setting Future Meeting Dates</b>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Committee noted that it would meet again at the end of the exhibition period which is anticipated to be in about March 2018, once the feedback from the Draft Flood Study is received.</li> <li>The Committee discussed future meeting schedules and further discussion will take place. Monday afternoons, either 2pm or 3.30pm appears to suit for most members to attend.</li> </ul>	
<b>8</b>	<b>Tasks/Actions</b>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Report to Council in December to consider placing the Draft Flood Study on exhibition early in 2018 for a period of at least 28 days.</li> </ul>	
<b>9</b>	<b>General Business</b>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Committee was advised that the focus of this Committee is the management of flooding in Wollondilly. Stonequarry is priority 1 and other floodplains will follow.</li> <li>The Committee was advised that OEH have a Floodplain Management Program where there are grants available to Local Councils to fund Floodplain Risk Management.</li> <li>The Committee was advised that commissioning of the study will show that Council has acted in good faith which affords protection under sec 733 of the Local Government Act.</li> <li>The Committee discussed and noted that one of the options to be considered in future may be vegetation management/clearing. It was highlighted that the effect is likely to be marginal and must be balanced against many other costs/issues including the environmental aspects.</li> <li>The Committee discussed the effects of pipe drainage and the technical advice was that it is limited due to the relative scale of the flood flows.</li> <li>The Committee were advised that when the Study is placed on public exhibition it will include an engagement strategy that is planned to include a kiosk where a Council officer will be available to answer enquiries and also display the interactive mapping</li> </ul>	

system. The Study along with its plans and maps will also be available on Council's website.

- The Committee were advised that future Development Applications will use the Flood Study to assist and determine applications within the Floodplain.
- The Committee discussed the frequency of a review of a Flood Study and was advised that once adopted the Flood Study should be not need to be reviewed for about 10 Years.
- The Committee noted that there is a rezoning proposal that is in progress within the Floodplain for Stonequarry Creek. The Committee may be asked to comment.
- The Committee members agreed to setting up a group email for future correspondence.

<b>10</b>	<b>Workplace Health and Safety</b>	
	No items raised.	

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was declared closed at 4.45pm.

**Next Meeting Date:** Committee will be contacted for confirmation of meeting date to be convened after the exhibition period of the Stonequarry Creek – Final Draft Flood Study.