

WALKERVILLE FORESHORE RESERVE.

Committee of Management.

Re: Council's funding contribution to Walkerville North infrastructure upgrades.

Dear Council.

The Walkerville Foreshore Reserve Committee of Management (WFRCoM) is currently undertaking the construction of the foreshore infrastructure upgrades at Walkerville North approved under Planning Permit no.2015/398.

The works involve constructing a sea wall along the foreshore at Walkerville North to assist in controlling coastal erosion, as well as upgrades to the road, car parking and recreational facilities near the Walkerville North boat launching area. The WFRCoM has engaged a contractor and construction on the seawall has commenced and will be completed by mid-September 2017. The road and civil works will follow closely after. Council is currently facilitating the tender and procurement processes for the road related project and will supervise the works on site.

The majority of funding is coming from Walkerville Foreshore Reserve Committee of Management funds, with contributions also being made by the Department of Economic Development, Jobs, Transport and Resources (DEDJTR) and the Department of Environment, Land, Water and Planning (DELWP) and South Gippsland Shire Council also committed \$130,000 in its current 2016/17 budget.

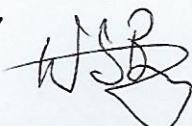
Early construction estimations from the design consultants based off the schematic design plans were \$292,880.13 ex GST. Now that detailed design and documentation have finished a revised cost estimate has been prepared for the road and associated works at \$490,856.10 ex GST. This is an increased cost difference of \$197,975.97 ex GST.

The Walkerville Foreshore Reserve Committee of Management can underwrite the remainder of the funds for the project, but this will detract from the Committee's ability to undertake future projects in Walkerville. Specifically related to erosion control (which protects Council's road asset), capital works projects outlined in the Walkerville Foreshore Reserve Coastal Management Plan and any other projects resulting from the Master Plan process which is currently being undertaken by Tract Consultants and will be completed by the end of 2017.

The WFRCoM is very appreciative of the \$130,000 already committed to the project by Council. However, given the constructed road, turning circles, parking areas, and retaining walls etc will become Council's assets, the Committee respectfully requests an increased contribution from Council in order to help fund these road related elements of the project?

Yours sincerely,

Bill Bray



Chairman Walkerville Foreshore Reserve Committee of Management.

5th September 2017.