

SOUTH GIPPSLAND SHIRE COUNCIL

# Council Minutes

Ordinary Meeting of Council

25 October 2017

**Ordinary Meeting No. 417**  
**Council Chambers, Leongatha**  
**Commenced at 2pm**



# minutes



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Shire Council*

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***South Gippsland Shire will be a place where our quality of life and sense of community are balanced by sustainable and sensitive development, population and economic growth.***

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**PRESENT****COUNCILLORS:**

<p>Cr Ray Argento, Mayor          Cr Maxine Kiel, Deputy Mayor          Cr Meg Edwards          Cr Alyson Skinner          Cr Jeremy Rich          Cr Andrew McEwen          Cr Lorraine Brunt          Cr Aaron Brown          Cr Don Hill</p>
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**COUNCILLORS  
NOT PRESENT:**

<p>Nil</p>
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**OFFICERS:**

<p>Tim Tamlin, Chief Executive Officer          Rick Rutjens, Executive Support and Community Information Manager          June Ernst, Coordinator Corporate Planning and Council Business          Natasha Berry, Corporate and Council Business Officer          Jodi Cumming, Corporate and Council Business Officer</p>
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**Tim Tamlin**  
Chief Executive Officer

**Councillor Jeremy Rich left the Council Meeting at 2.53pm with a declared direct Conflict of Interest on Agenda Item 4.2 WALKERVILLE RETARDING BASIN - CAPACITY MAINTENANCE OPTIONS as he is a 'Director of the company referenced to in this item on the agenda'.**

#### **4.2. WALKERVILLE RETARDING BASIN - CAPACITY MAINTENANCE OPTIONS**

Sustainable Communities and Infrastructure Services Directorate

##### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

At its Ordinary Council Meeting on 27 September 2017, Council resolved a motion directing officers to prepare a report detailing the methodology, timing, cost, and source of funding to restore the capacity of the Walkerville Retarding Basin (extract below):

*That Council:*

1. *Note that clause 2.2 and 3.1 of the agreement for taking of water (attachment [6.1.1]) requires Council to maintain the capacity of Walkerville retarding basin at not less than 13.5 megalitres.*
2. *Direct the officers to prepare a report for Council detailing the methodology, timing, cost and source of funding to restore the capacity of the Walkerville Retarding Basin.*
3. *Receive the report at the 25 October 2017 Ordinary Meeting of Council.*

This report details the recommended solution and associated cost to provide the required 13.5ML (megalitre) capacity for this dam.

##### **RECOMMENDATION**

That Council:

1. Endorse the design and construction of a modified outlet structure by raising it 100mm thereby increasing the capacity of the dam to approximately 14ML.
2. Fund the works from the 2017/18 Capital Works Program from the following programs:
  - a. Civil Capital Works Design – Design (\$2,000).
  - b. Drainage Rehabilitation Program – Construction (\$18,000).

**MOVED:** Cr Brunt

**SECONDED:** Cr Hill

**THAT COUNCIL:**

1. **ENDORSE THE DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION OF A MODIFIED OUTLET STRUCTURE BY RAISING IT 100MM THEREBY INCREASING THE CAPACITY OF THE DAM TO APPROXIMATELY 14ML.**
2. **FUND THE WORKS FROM THE 2017/18 CAPITAL WORKS PROGRAM FROM THE FOLLOWING PROGRAMS:**
  - a. **CIVIL CAPITAL WORKS DESIGN – DESIGN (\$2,000).**
  - b. **DRAINAGE REHABILITATION PROGRAM – CONSTRUCTION (\$18,000).**

**CARRIED**

**FOR:** Councillors Brown, Brunt, Edwards, Argento, Skinner, Kiel and Hill.

**AGAINST:** Councillor McEwen

**Cr Rich returned to the Council Meeting at 3.05pm.**

## REPORT

### Background

The Walkerville Retarding Basin was built in 1988. In 1990 the Shire of Woorayl entered into a water taking agreement with Ansevata Nominees Pty Ltd to facilitate a retarding basin for the stormwater management of the Prom Views Estate. Under the agreement Council is obliged to maintain the capacity of the basin. Currently the basin is under capacity.

It is implicit in the water taking agreement that the Walkerville Retarding basin maintain a capacity of 13.5ML. Clause 2.2 and 3.1 of the Agreement for Taking of Water (**Attachment [4.2.1]**) refers to the capacity of the basin.

Council now requires a suitable option to restore the capacity of the basin and the cost and timing of that option.

It was previously considered that due to the build-up of silt, the capacity has reduced below the required 13.5ML value specified in the agreement. A recent survey carried out by Council's consultant surveyor confirms that the level of the bottom of the dam is very similar to the original design levels. This suggests that very little silt material has been deposited on the bottom of the dam. It is considered that either the dam was not constructed exactly to the 13.5ML capacity, or alternatively, the outlet structure has marginally subsided.

Based on the recent survey, the current capacity is 13.03ML. To increase the capacity to approximately 14ML (to provide some tolerance over the required 13.5ML amount), the level of the outlet structure needs to be raised by 100mm. It is recommended that the outlet structure be modified accordingly. If Council resolves to proceed with these remedial works, the design and construction of could be completed within three months.

### CONSULTATION

Consultation will be undertaken with Ansevata Nominees Pty Ltd if Council endorses a preferred methodology.

### RESOURCES

It is estimated that the cost to design (\$2,000) and construct (\$18,000) the modifications to the outlet structure described above would be in the vicinity of \$20,000. A more precise cost can be provided once the design is complete. The design component can be funded from the Civil Capital Works Design program budget and the construction can be covered by the Drainage Rehabilitation program.



**RISKS**

If Council does not undertake these works to rectify the capacity of the Walkerville Retarding Basin, it will be in breach of the conditions implied in the 1990 Agreement for Taking of Water with Ansevata Nominees Pty Ltd.

**STAFF DISCLOSURE**

**Name:** Paul Stampton  
**Title:** Manager Planning  
**Conflict of Interest:** Indirect Interest - Conflict Duty (Part 3.7)  
**Reason:** Member of Walkerville Foreshore Committee

**ATTACHMENTS**

*Attachments are available on Council's website: [www.southgippsland.vic.gov.au](http://www.southgippsland.vic.gov.au)*

1. Agreement For Taking of Water 1990 - Walkerville Retarding Basin **[4.2.1]**