

LATE ITEMS PERFORMANCE & SERVICE COMMITTEE MEETING

AGENDA

24 MARCH 2015

Your attendance is required at a meeting of the Performance & Service Committee to be held in the Council Chambers, 232 Bolsover Street, Rockhampton on 24 March 2015 commencing at 9.00am for transaction of the enclosed business.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

23 March 2015

Next Meeting Date: 28.04.15

Please note:

In accordance with the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, please be advised that all discussion held during the meeting is recorded for the purpose of verifying the minutes. This will include any discussion involving a Councillor, staff member or a member of the public.

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8 OFFICERS' REPORTS

8.9 CYCLONE MARCIA - CREEKS & WATERWAYS CLEAN UP - COUNCIL AND PRIVATE PROPERTY PROTECTION

File No: 8532

Attachments: 1. Creeks, waterways and private property

protection map

Authorising Officer: Robert Holmes - General Manager Regional Services

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SUMMARY

Council crews have been undertaking clean up works in creeks and waterways in response to the damage caused by Cyclone Marcia. This report provides an update on that work.

OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION

THAT the information report on the creek and waterway clean-up be received.

BACKGROUND

On 10 March 2015, Council resolved to undertake the creek, waterway and private property works.

From this, the Civil Operations unit went through the Pathway requests, flooding locations and drainage issues to try to determine a priority order for the clean-up works. Additional information was also provided by the Engineering Services Section in relation to restoration of the hydraulic capacity of the waterways.

The priority was based on Council major road protection, house inundation, then property inundation and Council asset protection.

PREVIOUS DECISIONS

Resolution from Council Meeting 10/3/15, was to commence creeks and waterways clean up that will protect both Council and private infrastructure.

BUDGET IMPLICATIONS

The current works in the creeks and waterways is not covered in the disaster funding arrangements.

The approximate cost so far for the works from 12 to 20 March 2015 is \$250,000.

The expected duration to complete the priority listing plus Frenchmans Creek is another 7 days.

This would then bring the approximate total cost to \$600,000.

LEGISLATIVE CONTEXT

Approval to work in creeks and waterways has been received from Department of Natural Resources and Mines.

LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

When a waterway or easement goes through private property, staff are requesting approval from the landowner to enter the property. Please note that some owners of creeks have refused access for us to undertake the clean up.

STAFFING IMPLICATIONS

Civil Operations unit has 6 crews working in the creeks and waterways. This is expected to last for another week.

RISK ASSESSMENT

Issues with damage to private property whilst undertaking works to clear the drainage easements have occurred.

CONCLUSION

Council crews have been undertaking the clean up works in creeks and waterways in accordance with Council's resolution. The likely cost of cleaning out the high priority sites is estimated to be approximately \$600,000. The cost of this work and any on-going work is not covered by the current disaster funding arrangements.

CYCLONE MARCIA - CREEKS & WATERWAYS CLEAN UP - COUNCIL AND PRIVATE PROPERTY PROTECTION

Creeks, waterways and private property protection map

Meeting Date: 24 March 2015

Attachment No: 1

12 CLOSED SESSION

In accordance with the provisions of section 275 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, a local government may resolve to close a meeting to the public to discuss confidential items, such that its Councillors or members consider it necessary to close the meeting.

RECOMMENDATION

THAT the meeting be closed to the public to discuss the following items, which are considered confidential in accordance with section 275 of the *Local Government Regulation* 2012, for the reasons indicated.

13.5 Property Recovery Assistance Package

This report is considered confidential in accordance with section 275(1)(h), of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, as it contains information relating to other business for which a public discussion would be likely to prejudice the interests of the local government or someone else, or enable a person to gain a financial advantage.

13 CONFIDENTIAL REPORTS

13.5 PROPERTY RECOVERY ASSISTANCE PACKAGE

File No: 5504

Attachments: 1. On Hold Guardian Requests as at 21 March

2015

Authorising Officer: Evan Pardon - Chief Executive Officer

Author: Michael Rowe - General Manager Community Services

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SUMMARY

Following for Council consideration is a suggested framework for the development of a Property Recovery Assistance Package to those residents who are not in a position to fund or manage the recovery process on their private properties.