

# WSC MEETING SUMMARY



<b>COMMITTEE NAME</b>	Rochester
<b>MEETING DATE</b>	21 July 2017
<b>ATTENDEES</b>	<p><b>WSC Members:</b> Richard Anderson, Andrew Christian, Bruce Macague, Patrick Rochford, Dustin Kemp, Peter Gibson, Stephen Randall</p> <p><b>GMW Attendees:</b> Paul Cox (Customer Service Manager, Peter Egglestone (Manager Value Engineering), Paul Arthurson (Program Delivery Manager), Andrew Shields (Manager River Operations)</p> <p><b>Visitors:</b> Jason Russell (Campaspe Shire), Richard Conway (Campaspe Shire)</p>
<b>APOLOGIES</b>	Mark Hill, Georgie Sims, Brian Letcher, Peter Clydesdale

## Main Topics Discussed

### Connections Update

- Provided an update on Web Portal and Landowner Guide with a solution for every channel to be available by the end of July.
- Discussed Operational Rules including flow rates, meter options, property consolidations and dry offs.
- Connections WW2017 update was provided indicating most components were on track.
- An outline on some innovative projects to assist with whole of life costs was explained including alternate batteries & portable meters.
- A brief update on John Holland's projects was also provided.
- Explained that the Plan2Farm was ready to be launched in mid-August and EOI's can be lodged now.
- Crown Land dealings were discussed with 380 outstanding matters. 2 resources have been committed to help deal with the backlog.

### Water Resource Update

- An update on forecast conditions, 17/18 determinations, 17/18 outlooks and risk of spill was provided.

### Winter Works Update

- Information was given on the 2016/17 capital works expenditure and an update on 2017/18 projects for both linear and structures was provided.
- Comments received from members regarding the 8/23 remediation works was very positive with both the quality of work and communication.

### Campaspe Shire Interaction

- Members had the opportunity to ask questions to Campaspe Shire CEO Jason Russell & Richard Conway (Assets Manager).
- Discussion around the relationship with the Murray Darling Association was held as the Campaspe Shire no longer have a representative on this group.
- Large discussion regarding private assets within road reserves was held with Council suggesting if we wish to have the policy changed, Council needs to hear about the issues. A copy of Council's policy will be provided to members for review and comment.
- Members were interested to hear that Telstra were exempt from being rated under the policy as they were protected under the Acts of Government.
- Inconsistency on policies amongst different councils was raised and noted by Jason