

WSC MEETING SUMMARY



COMMITTEE NAME	Rochester-Campaspe WSC
MEETING DATE	20 th September 2019
ATTENDEES	<p>WSC Members: Richard Anderson (Chair), Bruce Macague (Deputy Chair), Andrew Christian, Peter Gibson, Mark Hill, Della Palmer, Georgie Simms.</p> <p>GMW Attendees: Greg Shannon (Regional Manager Customer Service West) Brian Letcher (Customer Service Manager Rochester) Andrew Cooper (Customer Service Coordinator) Matthew (Pethybridge (Manager of Groundwater & Streams.) Ann Telford (General Manager Customer & Stakeholders) Daniel Irwin (General Manager Strategy Services & Planning) Carolyn Nigro (Drainage Program Coordinator)</p>
GUESTS	Stephen Randall (EX WSC Committee member) Lyall Grey (Minerals Development Victoria Earth Resources)
APOLOGIES	Mark Hill, Bruce Macaque, Georgie Sims,

Main Topics Discussed

Pricing Submission – Ann Telford & Daniel Irwin	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provided a presentation to the Committee on the pricing submission. • Discussed what GMW heard from customers and stakeholders during the customer engagement process. • A key outcome from this engagement work, has indicated a significant reduction in revenue required for Water Plan 5 (WP5). • An outline, highlighting the projected savings in Opex and Capex revenue was also provided. • The session generated some positive discussion with the Committee members offering their thoughts to further consider delivery costs sitting with the Service Point Fee and not the Infrastructure Access Fee. • Discussion was held about GMW’s proposal to move to uniform delivery charges across the GMID. Daniel explained that cost differentiation between Shepparton and other districts is no longer material. 	
Drainage Course Declaration - Carolyn Nigro	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Briefed members on the work being carried in 5 drainage catchments. These works will involve removing any restrictions along natural drainage lines that may redirect flows. • Objective is to restore the natural carriers to be able to take away drainage water that allow 75mm rain events to drain within 24 hours. • The works will not include modifying the waterway to take away floods events. • Encouraged any landowners that had certified farm plans in these areas to contact GMW as the works being undertaken may impact farm layouts. 	
Exploration Drilling - Matthew Pethybridge & Lyall Grey	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presented information to the members with regards to the proposed exploration drilling in the area of the Lower Campaspe Deep Lead ground water resource. • Members raised concerns with the potential threat for contamination to the aquifers and wanted certainty surrounding discarded bores to be properly capped avoiding any potential contamination to aquifers. • The Committee’s concerns were addressed assuring members that there are strict guide lines in place that must be met by drilling companies in rehabilitating discarded bore holes. 	

Operations Mangers report – Brian Letcher

- Provided the Committee an overview of Rochester's irrigation delivery, staff movements and an update of the expected outcome of the Early Retirement package for Rochester.
- Updated members on Greens Lake amenities block, which has commenced decommissioning of the old toilet block.

General Business

- Stephen Randall joined the committee for lunch. Stephen was thanked and presented with a framed certificate in appreciation of his commitment to 3 years as a member of the Rochester – Campaspe WSC.