

Yarra City Council

Council Resolution – 27 August 2019

Item 11.1

1. That Council:

- (a) notes the attached report dated 19 August 2019 from Council's appointed consultants Alluvium;
- (b) notes Alluvium's advice in regards to potential short term mitigation measures:
 - (i) seal existing abandoned and new sediment control ponds;
 - (ii) reduce ground water infiltration from the existing gravel car park adjacent to the steep embankment and at the east side of the subject site;
 - (iii) review and implement the surface water management plan that should form part of an updated environmental management plan, including management of surplus site stormwater runoff including approvals for any off site water disposal; and
 - (iv) subject to work health and safety constraints, infilling of the slump tension cracks on the lower terrace with a suitable material to reduce direct water entry to cracks and slumped material.
- (c) notes Alluvium's advice in regards to further investigations to determine long term mitigation measures;
- (d) note that appointed consultant Alluvium will be undertaking a detailed investigation that will identify long term mitigation measures reflecting the outcomes of geotechnical, groundwater, surface water, riparian and waterway management assessments, and that the findings of this report will be reported back to Council as soon as practicable.
- (e) request Council officers to:
 - (i) share Alluvium's report dated 19 August 2019 with Glenvill, Melbourne Water, DELWP, the Environmental Protection Agency and other relevant bodies; and
 - (ii) seek advice from the relevant bodies on any actions which they may take regarding:
 - a. the short term mitigation measures referenced in the interim report; and
 - b. later, when the causes and consequences of the riverbank slump are established;
- (f) request that Glenvill promptly liaise with relevant authorities to take appropriate shortterm mitigation actions;
- (g) request officers to contact Glenvill and ascertain whether it is proposing to carry out the interim mitigation works as proposed in the Alluvium Report or alternative works to mitigate the risks outlined in the report; and
- (h) request Council officers to seek a response from Glenvill as to the proposal 1(b) (iii) above, as referenced in the Alluvium Report.

11.1 – SUBSEQUENT MOTION

- 1. That in the matter of the Yarra Riverbank slump and having regard to:
 - (a) part of Council's resolution of 30 July 2019:- "(g) officers approach Glenvill regarding the provision of alternate continuous access for the community along the river front and report back to Council on their response.";
 - (b) the tree that posed a potential safety risk now having been removed; and
 - (c) that the Alluvium report recommending short term mitigation action to infill the slump tension cracks.

1. That Council notes:

- (a) the initial response from Glenvill referencing safety issues with the current arrangements but that they are open to reviewing the matter as site conditions change;
- (b) the community is prepared to work with Glenvill in the form of a working bee to repair the walking path; and
- (c) the community requests the riverbank pathway be reopened as soon as possible.
- 2. That Council request Officers to re-engage with Glenvill to seek reinstatement of the riverbank access route as soon as possible and to report back to Council on their response at the next Council meeting.