

MITCHELL SHIRE COUNCIL

Council Meeting Attachment

DEVELOPMENT AND INFRASTRUCTURE

29 JUNE 2020

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SEYMOUR LEVEE CONSULTATION REPORT

**Attachment No: 3
Key Project Milestones**

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Table 1. Key milestones and previous commitments to the project

2001	Seymour Floodplain Mapping Study – WBM Oceanics
2002	Technical Working Group and Community Survey - 8 Options presented
2006	Flood Mitigation Communication Investigation – Final Consultants Report to Council
October 2009	Seymour Flood Mitigation Project Preliminary Design Report – John Webb
November 2009	At it's meeting on 23 November 2009, Council received the <i>Seymour Flood Mitigation Project, Preliminary Design Report, October 2009</i> prepared by John Webb Consulting.
October 2010	At its meeting on 25 October 2010, Council resolved that 'Council adopt and proceed in accordance with the <i>Seymour Flood Mitigation Project, Preliminary Design Report, October 2009</i> prepared by John Webb Consulting.
2011-2015	\$1,600,000 in grant funding secured through the State Governments Regional Growth Fund for the construction of the Seymour Flood Levee
	\$2,850,000 in grant funding secured through the Federal Governments National Stronger Regions Fund for the construction of the Seymour Flood Levee
	\$833,000 in grant funding secured through the State Governments Regional Growth Fund for land acquisition associated with the construction of the Seymour Flood Levee.
	\$500,000 in grant funding secured through the State Governments Natural Disaster Resilience Grants Scheme (NDRGS) fund for land acquisition associated with the construction of the Seymour Flood Levee.
May 2015	At its meeting on 4 May 2015, Council considered a briefing paper recommending some minor amendments to the 2009 alignment in order to maximise property access from existing road reserves in the vicinity of Hannah Street and Bolton Street, aswell as amendments to the alignment along the Whiteheads Creek near the Hospital. These amendments to the levee alignment are generally reflected by the 2019 Functional Design alignment shown in Attachment A of this report.
July 2017	Draft Seymour Structure Plan adopted. This draft plan acknowledges the Seymour Flood Levee as being critical to the success of the Structure Plan. One of the priority

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	<p>projects of the Structure Plan is the <i>'finalisation and construction of the proposed levee'</i>.</p>
September 2016	<p>At its meeting on 19 September 2016, Council resolved to award the design contract for the detailed design of the Seymour Flood Levee.</p>
May 2018	<p>Seymour Structure Plan adopted.</p> <p>This plan acknowledges the Seymour Flood Levee as being critical to the success of the Structure Plan. One of the priority projects of the Structure Plan is the <i>'finalisation and construction of the proposed levee'</i>.</p> <p>Section 5.9 of the Seymour Structure Plan state the following...</p> <p><i>"The (proposed) levee project and related land acquisition program however cannot be seen simply as a flood protection device. It provides rare opportunities to unlock land surrounding the river which may be used for a range of purposes including new and enhanced parks, linear trails and environmental reserves, as well as the potential development of tourism destinations. It will act as the biggest single change factor within the town and has been a key consideration in the development of the Structure Plan." ... Page 75</i></p> <p>References; Section 5.9, Objective O8.1 Support the development of the Seymour Flood Levee. Section 6.3 – Priority Projects, Table 8, Project No. 4 - Finalisation and construction of the levee.</p>
September 2019	<p>Community Engagement to establish;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) the level of support for the construction of a flood levee to protects parts of Seymour from flooding of the Goulburn River, and b) Landowner sentiment towards a potential landowner funded scheme to help pay for the levee. <p>Refer to Council report March 2020 which summarises the finding of this engagement process.</p>