

5 December 2024

Queenscliffe Community Association Inc David Connoley President Via email:

Dear Mr Connoley

## **PUBLIC QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE**

I am writing in response to your public question taken on notice at the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on Wednesday 27 November 2024.

## The public question reads as follows:

It appears there are continuing issues with the King St and Sth Hesse St drainage represented by some significant flooding episodes recently. Can it be determined who is paying for the inspections/works and if so what are the costs of such inspections etc.

As a result whether Council is potentially facing any liability or insurance issues surrounding the events that impacted on houses in this precinct historically recognised as a catchment or low point and been subject to previous flooding issues that was to be remediated under prior and expensive drainage works c 2019. Are any further remediation or maintenance works proposed and if so can these be detailed?

## In response to the question, I provide the following advice:

Council officers are currently investigating the drainage issues impacting King Street. The costs of these investigations will include the following items:

- Drainage catchment analysis and flood modelling \$2,500 ex GST
- Detailed design \$3,600 ex GST

The detail of any further drainage improvement works will be better understood upon the completion of the activities listed above. Any improvement work at this site will be subject to the approval of the Department of Transport & Planning as the coordinating road authority responsible for King Street.

Council is not facing any liability or insurance issues surrounding the extreme rain events.

Yours sincerely

**Martin Gill** 

**Chief Executive Officer**