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# LIVERPOOL STREET STORMWATER MANAGEMENT TO IMPROVE

At its meeting on Monday 21 August 2017 Council committed to a major project, with an estimated cost of \$3.2 million, to improve the management of stormwater in and around the Liverpool Street and Eyre Street precinct.

Council considered options identified in the recent Mortlock Terrace and Liverpool Street Flood Mitigation Study, prepared to assist Council in deciding on the best option for Liverpool Street. The decision enables Council to progress design work for the upgrade of the Liverpool Street pump station and/or related works that will reduce flooding impacts. These works should also improve the flooding situation at the Mortlock Terrace and Liverpool Street intersection.

The Study and associated flood event modelling has confirmed the extent and complexity of the challenge in addressing the Liverpool Street precinct flooding impacts.

Acting Mayor Neville Starke noted, "We had to carefully weigh up the options and make a responsible decision, when faced with no easy choices on the options to lessen the flooding impacts on sections of Liverpool Street while managing the financial effects on all of our ratepayers".

The existing major pump, drainage and generator infrastructure at Liverpool Street performs at about a 2 year ARI standard, pumping 760 litres per second, resulting in a 40% chance of some flooding in any given year.

Council's recent decision will improve the drainage system performance in Liverpool Street to manage a 20 year ARI flood event, with pumping capacity of at least 1200 litres per second, at a cost estimate of \$3.2 million. This is planned to reduce the chance of flooding to 5% in any year. Council will retain the ability to further increase pumping capacity and implement other works in the future, to further improve system performance.

Council will seek 50% subsidy funding of the project cost from the Stormwater Management Authority.

"We can significantly reduce flooding impacts in sections of Liverpool Street, by committing a major portion of our ten year forward funding for stormwater works across the whole city. The overall program, now expected to be \$7 million over ten years, also needs to address other areas in Port Lincoln that have storm water problems", said Acting Mayor Neville Starke.

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