

# Lorne Drainage Improvements – Special Charge Scheme



## Community Reference Panel Meeting

6 February 2006

### Lorne Real Estate Office

Membership
John Tracey (on behalf of son Lachlan)
Dale Whitford
Lou Dowling
Helen Barton
Lyn Davies
Greg Foster
Don Stewart
Cr. Jim Tutt
Richard Bain

## Minutes

**1. Welcome Cr. Jim Tutt**

**2. In attendance**

John Tracey, Dale Whitford, Lou Dowling, Helen Barton, Lyn Davies, Cr Jim Tutt and Richard Bain

**3. Apologies**

Nil

**4. Matters Arising from the Minutes**

- a. Cost implications for increasing the underground drainage capacity to cater for a 1 in 5 year storm rather than the 1 in 2 year storm event proposed by the consultants has not yet been investigated. The consultants, SMEC have indicated an indicative increase in the order of 10% to 15%.
- b. Press Release  
A copy of the Shire's press release was tabled and noted that it had not yet been sighted in the print media. (The press release is repeated in full in the February Lorne Independent)
- c. The Shires planning manager advises that there would be no reason why a drainage levy for new developments in Lorne could not be introduced.
- d. The matter of the catchment boundaries has been referred to Consultants for consideration as part of a detailed design.

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- e. Cost Distribution Auctions  
This matter received considerable debate and the panel requested that an assessment be provided for cost distribution based upon the area of allotments and their respective zonings which it is hoped will equitably reflect the stormwater generation by taking into consideration both the area of each lot and the level of development.
- f. The panel supported a proposal that L3 property owners be advised of the deliberations of the panel once the cost distribution is finalised and that feedback be sought. A final reference panel meeting would be held to consider the feedback.
- g. (Cost Distribution – Several panel members believe that there are advantages in preparing a special charge scheme for the whole of Lorne Drainage rather than by catchment. It was noted that there are some non rateable properties within L3 and that most of the commercial properties which attract people from across the community are also located within this catchment.)

**Next Meeting: 12.00 noon, 23 February 2006 at the Lorne Real Estate Offices**