

**CLARENCE VALLEY FLOODPLAIN RISK MANAGEMENT ADVISORY  
COMMITTEE TERMS OF REFERENCE**



**GOVERNING BODY / APPROVED BY** Council (OCM 22 February 2022 07.22.012)  
**FUNCTIONAL ALIGNMENT** Water Cycle

**SHORT DESCRIPTION**

In accordance with the NSW Government’s advice for the local floodplain manuals, the Committee advises council, acting as both a focus and forum for the discussion of a broad range of floodplain issues – technical, social, economic, environmental and cultural. The Committee provides strategic advice on the development and implementation of Clarence Valley Floodplain Risk Management Studies and Plans.

<b>CSP Links</b>	<b>Delivery Program Links</b>
Society: Creating a place where people are healthy, safe, connected and in harmony with the natural environment to retain and improve the quality of community life.	Objective 10. To be a resilient community, prepared for natural disaster.
Infrastructure: Maintaining our diverse infrastructure base to serve the needs of the Clarence.	Objective 4: To have floodplain and drainage infrastructure that is maintained in a way that improves amenity and livability.
Environment: Valuing, respecting and actively participating in the care and management of the Clarence’s natural environment for current and future generations.	Objective 4: To take action that maintains the health of our coastline and waterways and natural environment.

**PURPOSE/OBJECTIVES**

The principal objective of the Committee is to assist the council in the development and implementation of a management plan for the area(s) under its jurisdiction. However, the Committee also assists in:

- formulating objectives, strategies and outcomes sought from the process;
- providing a link between the local community and council;
- considering and making recommendations to council on appropriate development controls for use until the management plan is completed, approved and implemented
- identifying management options and providing input into their consideration as part of the management plan
- identifying implementation strategies for the management plan
- monitoring and assessing the effectiveness of the management plan during and after its implementation
- coordinating and monitoring the public education programs essential to the long-term viability of the management plan;
- coordination with catchment arrangement boards, emergency management planning and other advisory bodies.

**MEETING SCHEDULE**

The Floodplain Risk Management Advisory Committee meets at least twice per year, with meeting day/time determined in consideration of membership.

## **MEMBERSHIP**

Membership of the Committee is specified by relevant NSW Government documents. The Committee will include:

1. Up to two Councillors – one as Chair.
2. Representatives from Stakeholder Organisations, determined by the Committee (Chairperson and Co-Chairperson with the assistance of the Facilitator); and
3. Up to three Community Representatives.

## **CHAIRPERSON**

One Councillor will be appointed by the Council as the Chairperson.

## **MEMBERS**

**Councillors:** Council OCM 22 February 2022 ITEM 07.22.012

**Community Members:** OCM 26 April 2022 ITEM 07.22.072

Chairperson – Councillor Novak

Councillor Member: Councillor & Mayor Tiley

Stakeholder Representatives - Stephen Madden (Iluka Community Disaster Committee), Ross Farlow (Clarence Cane Growers Association), Danielle Adams (Clarence River Fishermen's Co-Operative), Chad Ellis ((NSW SES).

Community Representatives – Sue Chapple, Nathan Cameron, Deanna Fernance, Tim Small, Andrew Skinner, Cristie Yager, Desmond Harvey.

## **GOVERNANCE**

See Clarence Valley Council Advisory Committee Handbook.

See also the (then) Department of Infrastructure, Planning and Natural Resources (2005) *Floodplain Development Manual—the management of flood liable land*, noting that at the time of the appointment of the Committee under the current Council, the Manual was scheduled to be updated by the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment (2022) *Flood Risk Management Manual Package* (see here < <https://www.environment.nsw.gov.au/topics/water/floodplains/flood-risk-management-manual-update> >).