Minutes of Featherson Community Liaison Group Meeting – For Featherston Wastewater Treatment Plant

Date: Thursday, 8 October 2026

Time: 5:15 PM

Location: MS Teams Online Meeting and in-person at the Featherston Anzac Hall

1. **Attendees:**

   In-person

- Ian Simpson (Facilitator)
- Mayor Fran Wilde
- Janice Smith (CE SWDC)
- Councillor Rupert Watson (Featherston)
- Councillor Rachel Clarke (Featherston)
- Tanja Schubert-McArthur (Chair – Featherston Community Board)
- Warren Maxwell (Featherston Community Board)
- Narida Hooper (SWDC - Pou Māori)
- Elizabeth MacManus (SWDC – Principal Advisor – Three Waters Regulation)
- Gen Drake (SWDC Communications & Engagement)
- Vanessa Tipoki (Taio Senior Advisor - Ngāti Kahungunu ki Wairarapa Tāmaki-nui-a-Rua Settlement Trust)
- Jess Cooper (Health New Zealand, Te Whatu Ora)
- Mark Lucock (CLG Member – RC submitter)
- Marguerite Tait-Jamieson (CLG Member - RC submitter)
- Garrick Emms (CLG Member - RC submitter)
- Julia Reed (CLG Member - RC submitter)
- Claire Bleakley (CLG Member - RC submitter)
- Jim Hedley (walk in)
- John Daniell

   Via Teams

- Ami Coughlan (Wellington Fish & Game)
- Aaron Johnston (Greater Wellington Regional Council)
- Ros Leahy
- Rawiri (Ra) Smith
- Albert Wagebaert and Maud Bot

2. **Apologies:**

   James O'Connor (SWDC GM, Infrastructure & Community Operations)

   Sally Walker – (RC submitter)

   Horipo Rimene (Rangitane o Wairarapa)

3. **Welcome & Introductions**

The facilitator, Ian Simpson, welcomed attendees, completed health and safety housekeeping, explained the hybrid meeting arrangements and invited introductions. Attendees were advised that the meeting was being recorded to support an accurate record.

4. **Opening Karakia**

Ian Simpson opened the meeting with a karakia.

5. **Today's Agenda**

Ian explained that the CLG had been reset following the granting of the new resource consent. Its purpose is to support strong community engagement on plant performance, planned improvements and community input. Members were asked to focus on the issues and keep discussion respectful.

6. **CLG Expectations and Purpose**

Membership was described as arising from the consenting process, with representation from agencies, Council, the Community Board and neighbouring landowners. Council explained that neighbouring landowners had generally been identified within approximately 500–1,000 metres of the plant.

A concern was raised that some closer properties had not been invited. Council agreed to check the basis for the invitations. It was also clarified that the CLG is a closed, consent-based group rather than a general public forum; however, Council agreed to consider a public meeting for wastewater matters.

7. **CLG Member Questions**

Ahead of the meeting, twelve questions were submitted by three CLG members. The questions covered matters including: CLG membership, public engagement, riparian planting, removal and replacement of windbreaks, the environmental monitoring plan, project costs, wetland construction materials, procurement, the upgrade programme, discharge to the Longwood Water Race, consent terminology and meeting frequency. Written answers to the pre-submitted questions had been prepared (attached) and were spoken to.

Questions 1-12 : Summary of answers and actions		
Question	**Summary of answer**	**Action / follow-up**
Confirmed CLG Membership	Provided as part of the Q&A session	Attached to Minutes
Definition of a neighbour and CLG invitations	The CLG is a closed group established through the resource-consent process, not a general community meeting. Membership is set by consent condition G5 and generally includes parties involved in the hearing, relevant agencies, the Community Board and neighbouring owners or residents who expressed interest. Because there are no immediate residential neighbours to the plant, Council used an approximate 500–1,000 metre proximity as the basis for invitations. The Community Board is expected to bring wider community questions to the CLG, and agendas and recordings will be made available.	Council to check why properties said to be closer to the plant than some invitees were not invited and advise outcomes at the following CLG meeting.
Question	**Summary of answer**	**Action / follow-up**

Public forum for the wider Featherston community	The CLG cannot itself operate as an open public forum because its role and membership are prescribed by the consent. Council said it would be willing to provide a separate public forum or meeting for the wider community to ask questions and receive information about the wastewater treatment plant.	Council to investigate and come back with an opportunity public meeting for the Featherston wastewater treatment plant.
Collaborative meetings to support future consenting	The Featherston resource consent has already been issued, and the CLG's role is limited to operating within that consent. The request for broader collaboration among Council, GWRC, submitters and iwi on future wastewater consenting was acknowledged as wider than the CLG's current mandate.	The broader collaboration request was noted and may be considered through the proposed wider community forum or future consent processes.
Donald's Creek riparian planting and consultation	The riparian planting had already been completed under a GWRC-approved Riparian Planting Management Plan. Consultation and a site visit with iwi entities/authorities took place in May 2026. Feedback was incorporated, including a te ao Māori perspective, recognition of the mauri of the water and greater plant diversity to support biodiversity. Some plants were sourced from the local He Kōtare nursery.	The planting and consultation were reported as complete.
Removal of Hodder Farm windbreaks and stock shade	Council said the vegetation was felled and burned because it was at end of life and posed a health and safety risk to stock and farm workers. Council stated that the area would be replanted. During discussion, members sought the timing, method and assurance for replacement planting, but those details were not available at the meeting.	Council to obtain and provide the timing and approach for replanting the removed windbreak and stock-shade area.
Availability of the Environmental Monitoring Management Plan	The Environmental Monitoring Management Plan is still being prepared. Council confirmed that it would be made available to CLG members when complete and would be discussed at a future CLG meeting, allowing members time to review it and submit questions.	Council to circulate the completed plan and include it as an agenda item for a following CLG meeting.
Financial questions and DAF budget	The questions regarding difference between earlier and current budgets, the adequacy of the stated DAF budget, scope, plant costs, operational costs or procurement decisions were tabled for a response from the delivery team.	Delivery team to provide a written response covering budget changes, scope, DAF and associated infrastructure costs, plant versus operational costs, procurement rationale and implementation timing; follow-up information was also to return to the next CLG.
Question	**Summary of answer**	**Action / follow-up**

Wetland construction materials and iwi/hapū position	The use of greywacke and a plastic liner had been discussed previously, but Council said iwi/hapū had not confirmed a position on the proposal. Construction materials and alternative options remained subject to further collaborative engagement and design work.	Wetland construction materials, options and engagement with iwi/hapū to be included as an agenda item for the next CLG meeting.
Tender costs, accepted price and programme	Reference was made to information previously supplied through a LGOIMA response. Detailed design began in August 2026, and physical works were scheduled to begin in February 2027. The approved budget was the project budget that informed the 2025–34 Long-Term Plan, but costs may change because the contracts are not fixed price and the project is due to transfer to Waitī Waters Limited from 1 July 2027. Upgrade installation was expected in July 2027, with practical completion by October 2027.	Council to circulate the displayed/LGOIMA information with the minutes. LGOIMA Proactive Release - SWDC Final-response-Approved-SW-Wastewater-Upgrades-30092026_Redacted.pdf
Longwood Water Race and "highly modified stream"	Council referred to the May 2025 submitter Q&A: consent would be required if treated wastewater were to be discharged to the Longwood Water Race, but no such discharge was intended, and consent had not been sought for it. GWRC explained that a water race may include a former natural river reach, which retains river status, while a constructed channel is not necessarily a river. A highly modified stream is still a river. GWRC also confirmed that an unconsented discharge could fall outside the consent and result in non-compliance.	Council/GWRC to provide a clear written response specific to the Longwood Water Race, including the relevant terminology, status of the channel and implications for any discharge.
Timing of the first annual CLG meeting	Council said the meeting was held on 8 October 2026 after annual data collation and reporting had been completed on 30 September 2026. The meeting was therefore held within the consent's annual requirement, although close to the deadline. The facilitator proposed meeting more frequently in future.	Move toward approximately quarterly CLG meetings, with the next date adjusted around the summer holiday period and member availability.

8. **Annual Monitoring Report and items G4 a-f**

The Annual Monitoring Report covered the 2025/26 compliance year. Because the new consent commenced part-way through that period, reporting was based on the former consent while commentary also referenced the new conditions where relevant. Reported maximum discharge was 7,307 m^3/day and total discharge was approximately 611,000 m^3.

All reported effluent, upstream and downstream samples complied with the applicable former consent limits, and no formal complaints about the plant were recorded for the year. The new consent introduces tighter and more frequent monitoring, including a 6,500 m^3/day rolling annual average, more frequent sampling and additional ecological measures. Implementation of the updated sampling regime is underway. Members asked for further analysis of historical E. coli results, the effect of stormwater improvements on inflows, and the significance of apparent outliers.

9. **Greater Wellington Regional Council**

GWRC clarified that an unconsented discharge outside the resource consent may result in non-compliance. In relation to the question about the Longwood Water Race, it also explained that a water race may include a natural river reach, while a constructed channel is not necessarily a river; a highly modified river remains a river. GWRC considered the meeting presentation a useful summary and noted that the staged programme remains at an early stage.

10. **South Wairarapa District Council - Summary**

Stage 1 riparian planting is complete.

Stage 2 includes a dissolved air flotation system, inlet screening and an electrical supply upgrade. Installation is currently expected around July 2027, with practical completion by October 2027.

The dissolved air flotation system was selected for treatment effectiveness, consent compliance, constructability, cost and compatibility with a longer-term move toward land-based wastewater management.

The future direction report required by the consent will use monitoring and upgrade performance to inform the long-term treatment and discharge pathway before the current permits expire in 2035.

Further information is required on screened solids and sludge management, discharge-to-land options, and construction traffic and access impacts.

11. **Final Clarifications and Agenda Items**

- The group supported meeting approximately quarterly, with timing adjusted around the summer holiday period.
- The next invitation will seek members' preference for an online or in-person meeting, as the hybrid format was difficult for everyone to participate in the discussion.
- Minutes will be circulated when completed.
- The next meeting is expected in approximately the next quarter, with the date and format to be confirmed after checking member availability.

12. **Closing Karakia**

Ian thanked attendees and closed the meeting with a karakia.
Meeting closed: approximately 6:32 PM

The next CLG meeting will be at **6:30pm on 18 March 2027**

13. **Attachments**

A. Featherston Wastewater Treatment Plant CLG Membership
B. CLG questions and requests raised at the meeting
C. Detailed answers to questions submitted before the CLG Meeting

A. Featherston Wastewater Treatment Plant CLG Membership

Party	Representative
Rangitāne o Wairarapa iwi	Horipo Rimene (Cultural Advisor)- Taiao Team Paikea Te Whare(Cultural Advisor)
Ngāti Kahungunu ki Wairarapa	Sam Ludden (Hau Pou Kiatiaki – Environmental Officer) Katie Brassel (Freshwater Ecologist)
Rangitāne Tū Mai Rā Trust	Hinerirangi Pearse (Environmental and Resource Management Advisor)–
Ngāti Kahungunu ki Wairarapa Iwi Development Trust	Renaee Clark (Pou Taiao-Environmental Manager) Taiao Team Vanessa Tipoki Taiao Senior Advisor
Wairarapa Moana Statutory Board	Haami Te Whaiti (Chair Stat Board) PJ Devonshire (GM to Stat Board)
Wellington Regional Council	Aaron Johnston
South Wairarapa District Council	James O'Connor Mayor Fran Wilde Janice Smith Chair of Māori Partnership Committee Councillor Rachel Clarke Councillor Rupert Watson Ian Simpson – Facilitator Principal Advisor – 3 Waters Regulation Water Services Advisor – SWDC
Health NZ (Te Whatu Ora, National Public Health Service)	Jess Cooper
Department of Conservation	TBA
Wellington Fish and Game	Ami Coughlan
Featherston Community Board	Tanja Schubert-McArthur (Chair)
Any neighbouring landowner or resident who has expressed an interest in joining the CLG. "Nearby" has been defined as land or residences near the treatment plant or land disposal area. There are no immediate neighbours, but submitters located 500–1,000 metres away have been identified.	Sally Walker – 106b Longwood East, Featherston Mark Lucock – 52 Longwood East Road, Featherston Neal Goodall – 46b Murphys Line (invited) Marguerite Tait-Jamieson – 78 Longwood East Road Julia Reed – 52 Donald Street Featherston Garrick Emms – 78 Longwood East Road, Featherston Claire Bleakley – expressed interest Diana Leahy – 54 Donald Street, Featherston

B. CLG questions and requests

1. **CLG invitations**: Council to check why some nearby properties were not included in the invitation list.

   Response:
   The property owners in question did not make a submission to the Featherston Wastewater Treatment Plant (FWWTP) resource consent. However, if they would like to express an interest in joining the CLG and live within the approximate 500–1,000 metre proximity to the FWWTP property boundary they will receive an invitation to join the CLG.

2. **Community public meeting**: Council to consider a public meeting for Featherston wastewater matters.

   Response:
   There was shared comfort in Council organising a public meeting to discuss Featherston wastewater matters. This meeting could be scheduled in early 2027 after the Christmas break.

3. **Windbreak replacement**: Council to confirm the timing and approach for replanting the removed windbreak area.

   Response:
   To be advised at the next CLG meeting.

4. **Environmental monitoring**: Council to provide the Environmental Monitoring Management Plan when available and include it on a future CLG agenda.

   Response:
   An agenda item for the next CLG meeting.

5. **Financial and procurement information**: The delivery team to provide written responses to outstanding budget, scope, procurement and cost questions.

   Response:
   This issue was responded to by LGOIMA and is available on Council's website LGOIMA Proactive Release - SWDC

6. **Longwood Water Race:** Council and GWRC to provide written clarification on the water race, river and highly modified stream questions.

   Response:

   A river is a naturally occurring watercourse, which can be continually or intermittently flowing. A highly modified river/stream is the same as a river, but its channel has been straightened, confined to a single path, or mechanically formed.

   Water races are considered differently under the RMA, because they are part of an artificially constructed network used to convey water. Some RMA provisions apply differently to those channels because they're not considered rivers under the RMA. However, for discharges, any type of water is the same under the RMA. Rules that control the discharge of contaminants to water still apply to water races.

7. **Monitoring data:** The project team to verify historical E. coli information and investigate the apparent outlier and any relationship between stormwater improvements and reduced inflows.

   Response:
   The project team double checked E.Coli compliance between the years 2020-2026, as questioned by a CLG member during the meeting. E.Coli never exceeded the limit over this timeframe and was compliant.
   However, it is noted that there was a septic incident with the FWWTP during May 2024 that resulted in Total Nitrogen and Ammonia being non-compliant.

8. **WWTP screened solids:** The project team were asked about how screen solids were managed operationally at the moment and how they will be managed with the upgraded design.

   Response
   Citycare advise that screened solids are currently double-bagged and disposed of at landfill. The details of upgraded design with regard to screen solids will be advised to the CLG as the information becomes available.

C. Presentation of received questions and answers at the CLG Meeting

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Received Questions

Requestor Key

Name	Initials
Claire Bleakley	CB
Marguerite Tait-Jamieson	MTJ
Garrick Emms	GE

Question One

What is the final membership of the Featherston CLG? [GE]

Response:

See Attachment A.

Question Two

What is the SWDC definition of a neighbour regarding CLG membership? Why have other neighbours within the vicinity not received an invitation? [GE]

Response:

Community Liaison Groups (CLGs) are not community meetings.

CLGs are typically agreed during RMA consenting processes as an effective means to ensure supply of information about ongoing operation and development of complex projects. They are particularly useful when there are concerns about how developments will perform (and manage effects on the environment) and where design detail has yet to be developed.

CLGs are normally made up of those parties who have been involved in those RMA hearing process as is the case with the Featherston WWTP CLG. Ordinarily, the parties would confirm (or request) interest in being involved in the CLG during that hearing process.

The Featherston WWTP CLG membership is outlined in G5 of the resource consent. In considering G.5.K "any neighbouring owner or resident who has expressed an interest to join the CLG" as there are no immediate neighbours to the FWWTP itself, property owners within closest proximity ~1000m or less have been invited to join the Featherston WWTP CLG. Neighbouring CLG members can feed into the group with their questions in response to the agenda and also any comments or observations relating to the Featherston WWTP.

In order to ensure that any member of the Featherston community can have their questions considered and responded to at CLG meetings, the Featherston Community Board are CLG members. Following the first establishment meeting, the CLG meeting agendas will be shared a month before the scheduled meeting. This will enable the Featherston Community Board representative to facilitate any community queries and responses. In addition, the CLG meetings are recorded and posted on Council's website, for transparency and accessibility.

Question Three

Would the CLG provide the Featherston community with a public forum (which has never existed) providing open and informed discussion regarding the FWWTP? [GE]

Response:

This would be a Council function. SWDC would be happy to provide a public meeting to discuss the Featherston WWTP.

Question Four

SWDC has always vetoed any Wastewater collaborative meetings. Can CLG now broker collaborative meetings with SWDC, GWRC, submitters and Iwi in order to shorten the RMA process and save money from the drawn-out submissions process with commissioners and consulting experts? Acknowledging that Mba, Gtn and Fstn will all need new consents at some stage [GE]

Response:

The Featherston WWTP resource consent has been issued and the role of the Featherston CLG is within the context of that consent.

Question Five

The Riparian Planting adjacent to Donalds Creek must commence within 15 months of commencement of consent Jan 8th 2026 [GE]
Have Iwi, CLG and community been consulted on the new riparian planting & management plan, which must be completed 1 month prior to riparian planting commencing? That is Dec 2026. [GE]

Response:

The riparian planting adjacent to Donalds Creek has been completed as per the GWRC approved Riparian Planting Management Plan.
Yes. Consultation with iwi entities/authorities and site visit was carried out in May 26, feedback and recommendations were received, amendments to the proposed planting plan were made to incorporate a te āo Māori perspective that acknowledged the mauri of the water and its ability to hold life and increased diversification of plant species to encourage biodiversity.
Planting has been completed and a percentage of the plant supply has been sourced from Pae tū Mōkai o Tauira local nursery, He Kōtare.

Question Six

So why did SWDC agree to fell and burn all the wind breaks and stock shade on the Hodder Farm before establishing a planting program on the Hodder Land in a protected and sheltered environment? [GE]

Response:

The felling and burning of the wind breaks and stock shade on the Hodder Farm was organised with a contractor to address the health and safety concerns of the vegetation being at end of life and potentially falling on stock and farm employees. The area will be replanted with appropriate vegetation.

Question Seven

Are copies of the EMMP (Environmental Monitoring Management Plan, due Jan 8th 2026) being made available to CLG members?[GE]

Response:

The Environmental Monitoring Management Plan (EMMP) for the Featherston WWTP is being worked on. When ready it will be an agenda item for a following CLG meeting.

Question Eight

Financial questions [GE]:

The original LTP budget for the FWWT 10 year consent 2021-31, the trial period, was $17mil.

OIA 30th Sept 2026 confirms the Featherston WW component of Tender C1278 with the Budget for year end 2029-30 at $27.6 mil.

How can WWLtd and GHD cost estimates for the stage 1 DAF trial be so wide of the mark?
The DAF Commissioning is to be "Within 24 months following consent" . ie Oct 8th 2027.Will the Budget of $1.6mil, cover the full installation of a DAF and associated infrastructure?

Response:
These financial questions have been referred to the delivery team and a response will be provided as soon as possible.

Question Nine
Submitters were advised by Mr Anthony Kirk GHD that the wetland would be constructed from Greywacke and lined with plastic? He also said that the Iwi were happy with this proposal, is that correct ? What other construction options have been considered? [GE]

Response:
It is understood that the subject of wetland construction materials was discussed at one of the community meetings. However, iwi/hapu have not advised their position with regard to this matter and remains subject to further collaborative engagement. This matter will feature as an agenda item at the next CLG meeting.

Question Ten
What is the cost for consultants to write the tender and advertising of the tenders? [CB]
The accepted price for the FWW tender [CB]

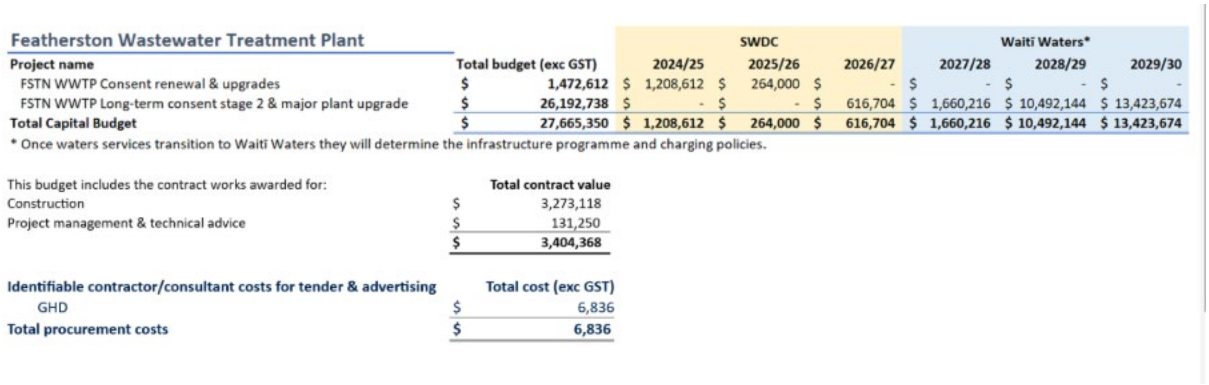
Response:
The above questions were responded to as part of a LGOIMA request (with question clarifications) in the following way:

When will the upgrade to the Featherston Waste Water begin?

The detailed design work began in August 2026 with physical works currently scheduled to begin in February 2027.

What is the final cost of the Featherston Wastewater upgrades? **(Clarification received 24/09/26: I would like to have all the tender costs agreed too, we as rate payers are going to have, surely when the tenders and quotes were accepted they were the final costs approved?)**

Refer below to the Featherston Wastewater Treatment Plant project that informed the LTP 2025/34, which is the approved budget. Note that costs over the duration of a project are subject to change as they are not fixed price contracts. In addition, we note that from 1 July 2027 this project will be transferred to Waitī Waters Limited.



Featherston Wastewater Treatment Plant

Project name	Total budget (exc GST)	SWDC 2024/25	SWDC 2025/26	SWDC 2026/27	Waiti Waters* 2027/28	Waiti Waters* 2028/29	Waiti Waters* 2029/30
FSTN WWTP Consent renewal & upgrades	$ 1,472,612	$ 1,208,612	$ 264,000	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -
FSTN WWTP Long-term consent stage 2 & major plant upgrade	$ 26,192,738	$ -	$ -	$ 616,704	$ 1,660,216	$ 10,492,144	$ 13,423,674
Total Capital Budget	$ 27,665,350	$ 1,208,612	$ 264,000	$ 616,704	$ 1,660,216	$ 10,492,144	$ 13,423,674

* Once waters services transition to Waiti Waters they will determine the infrastructure programme and charging policies.

This budget includes the contract works awarded for:	Total contract value
Construction	$ 3,273,118
Project management & technical advice	$ 131,250
	$ 3,404,368

Identifiable contractor/consultant costs for tender & advertising	Total cost (exc GST)
GHD	$ 6,836
Total procurement costs	$ 6,836

When will the tender to upgrade the FWW start? [CB]

Response:

According to the current programme, it is expected that installation of upgrades will be in July 2027, with practical completion by October 2027.

Question Eleven

Query regarding a GHD Boffa Miskell report. [MTJ]

re the Longwood Water race

Refer ; GHD AEE page 117. Boffa Miskell Ltd report extract Below.

BM Ltd confirmed that the WWLTD/GHD proposal will be modifying the HMS which in fact is **Longwood Water Race** and burying pipes under it , as part of FWWT 2023. Then, any excess treated wastewater from ponding ..

"will run into the **highly modified stream** which runs parallel to the road"…BM Ltd

Why are they attempting to contravene the 1936 Longwood Water Race Bylaw and the GWRC statement?

Any **unconsented** discharge into the longwood race would sit outside of a resource consent and result in a non-compliance regime

Response:

This question seems to align with the below report link and Q&As for a submitter meeting that was held in May 2025. The question was "Would SWDC.WWL Ltd need a consent to discharge Treated Wastewater into Longwood Water Race even if called a "Stream"? The response point was "Yes, if this was an activity they planned to undertake. However, there is no intention to discharge treated wastewater and consent has not been explicitly sought for this.

https://haveyoursay.gw.govt.nz/96416/widgets/447014/documents/296293

- This was provided to all submitters ahead of the final submitter meeting.

Water race's	It appears that the Historic Longwood Water Race has been replaced by a "Heavily Modified Stream"...What does that mean Is that correct and what is the legal definition of a stream?	• This is a technical description following GWRC's guidance notes for watercourse types. • The AEE is a technical document so using the regulators correct terminology is important. • GWRC's guidance note defines a highly modified stream as a river or stream that has been modified and channelled for the purpose of land drainage of surface or sub-surface water and has the following characteristics: a) It has been channelled into a single flow, and b) The channel has been straightened, and c) The channel is mechanically formed with straight or steeply angled banks, and d) It exhibits these characteristics for at least its entire length through the property in which the activity is being carried out
	Is the Boffa Miskell report referring to the Longwood Water Race?	• More than one highly modified stream is identified in the Boffa Miskell Report, this includes part of the Longwood water race.
	If it is Longwood please explain what the intention is and why Ratepayers , Submitters, Water Race Users Group and Locals have not been clearly advised that the water race will be used for overflow of Waste Water?	• There is no intent to use the water race as an overflow path for wastewater. • Boffa Miskell's report (at s.8.2.3) notes that 'any excess treated wastewater that results in ponding causing over-land flow from the initial land application area (likely only in the event of failure in the land application system) will run into the highly modified stream which runs parallel to the road. Any similar overland flow from the expanded land application area to the west (Stage 2) would be intercepted by the highly modified stream running through the middle of the land parcel.' • Land application of wastewater is undertaken using deficit irrigation and therefore there will not be any wastewater ponding causing overland flow into any nearby highly modified streams, including those parts of the Longwood Water Race that pass through the land application area.
	Were Water Race User Groups invited to the submitters meetings?	• No. As the Longwood Water Race User Group are not a submitter on the application, they have not been invited to the submitter meetings. • The application was publicly notified with all person's including people belonging to the Water Race Users Group were able to make a submission on the proposal.
	Would SWDC/ WWLtd need a consent to discharge Treated Wastewater into Longwood Water Race even if called a "Stream" ?	• Yes, if this was an activity they planned to under take. • However, there is no intention to discharge treated wastewater to the Longwood Water Race, or highly modified stream, and consent has not been explicitly sought for this

Question Twelve

The CLG shall hold a meeting at least once every calendar year. Minutes of any CLG meetings and a copy of the Annual Report shall be forwarded on to all CLG attendees and the Manager within one month of the meeting being held.
The RMA Consent was issued Oct 8th 2025. Which means the last possible date for this meeting was Oct 8th 2026. Can you please explain why this meeting is being held **7 hours**
Before the deadline? [MTJ]

Response:

The CLG meeting was scheduled following the completion of the data collation and reporting on 30 September 2026.