

## 9.2 NOTICE OF MOTION – WATER CORPORATION

<b>ELECTED MEMBER:</b>	Cr O'Brien
<b>DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST:</b>	Nil
<b>FILE REFERENCE:</b>	WS.LI.2
<b>STRATEGIC DOCUMENT REFERENCE:</b>	Nil
<b>ATTACHMENTS:</b>	Correspondence from the Water Corporation 20 March 2024

### ELECTED MEMBER RECOMMENDATION

**That Council REQUESTS that the Chief Executive Officer writes to the Chief Executive Officer of the Water Corporation to express Council's concerns regarding the five burst water mains that have occurred in the Shire townsite to date in 2024 resulting in service disruptions to residents and the delays in repairing associated infrastructure and seeking the Water Corporation's proposed response to ensure that service continuity and that Shire assets are protected into the future.**

### OFFICER COMMENT

A request for a Notice of Motion was received from Cr O'Brien on 19 March 2024. The Notice of Motion requests that the Chief Executive Officer write to the CEO of the Water Corporation regarding recent Water Corporation infrastructure failures that have resulted in property damage and service outages in the Shire.

Officers have identified five instances since the start of the year where burst water mains have occurred. These include three instances on Traverse St and one instance each on Tavistock and Ventor Streets. Full associated pavement and streetscape repairs following these burst water mains are in some cases still outstanding.

In a coincidence of timing, on Wednesday, 20 March 2024, the Chief Executive Officer received correspondence Water Corporation thanking the Shire for the support of the Shire in recent outages. The correspondence while a welcome appreciation of the Shire's efforts in this regard does not highlight the steps that Water Corporation is taking to ensure supply and repair to infrastructure when breaks do occur.

### VOTING REQUIREMENTS

Simple Majority

Our Ref: 169695365

20 March 2024

Kenneth Parker  
Chief Executive Officer  
Shire of Wagin  
Via email: [ceo@wagin.wa.gov.au](mailto:ceo@wagin.wa.gov.au)

Dear Mr Parker

**RE: Thank you for your ongoing support to Water Corporation**

On behalf of Water Corporation, I would like to personally thank you for the Shire's outstanding support to our team in Narrogin recently.

We have had several burst water mains in the area, and your team has been very helpful with the provision of backfill dirt so that we can quickly and safely restore the work area/s.

Your team has been very cooperative with these requests, allowing our operators to collect as required, and even delivered the backfill dirt to us on some occasions.

This has been helpful to ensure we can continue to supply safe and reliable water and wastewater services to communities in Narrogin, and across the region.

Yours sincerely

*Kym Walker*

**Kym Walker**  
Manager Customer & Stakeholder - Great Southern Region  
Water Corporation