

---

**Irrelevant & Sensitive**

**From:** McCrae Recovery <mccraerecovery@mornpen.vic.gov.au>  
**Date:** 23 January 2025 at 15:31:09 AEDT  
**To:** Councillor Max Patton <Max.Patton@mornpen.vic.gov.au>,  
**Irrelevant & Sensitive**  
**Subject: RE: McCrae landslide and water issues**

Hi Brett,

Thanks for your email, via Cr Patton. I will pass this on to the team who are investigating these matters.

Kind regards,

Andrew

ANDREW BRICK (he/him) | Team Leader - Community Resilience and  
Emergency Management  
Phone: 03 5950 1389  
Email: [andrew.brick@mornpen.vic.gov.au](mailto:andrew.brick@mornpen.vic.gov.au)  
Private Bag 1000, Rosebud VIC 3939 | 2 Queen Street, Mornington VIC 3931  
[www.mornpen.vic.gov.au](http://www.mornpen.vic.gov.au) | Facebook @MornPenShire

Mornington Peninsula Shire acknowledges and pays respect to the Bunurong people,

the Traditional Custodians of these lands and waters.

We are committed to carbon neutrality.

-----Original Message-----

**From:** Councillor Max Patton <Max.Patton@mornpen.vic.gov.au>  
**Sent:** Thursday, January 23, 2025 3:24 PM  
**To:** McCrae Recovery <mccraerecovery@mornpen.vic.gov.au>  
**Subject:** FW: McCrae landslide and water issues

COUNCILLOR MAX PATTON | Benbenjie Ward (He/Him/His)

Email: max.patton@mornpen.vic.gov.au

Mobile: Irrelevant & Sensitive

Private Bag 1000, Rosebud VIC 3939 | 90 Besgrove Street, Rosebud VIC 3939

Follow us on social media!

Mornington Peninsula Shire acknowledges and pays respect to the Bunurong people, the Traditional Custodians of these lands and waters.

I send emails at all times of the day around a flexible schedule. Please don't feel compelled to reply outside your normal working hours.

We are committed to carbon neutrality.

-----Original Message

From: Brett Cooper

Irrelevant & Sensitive

Sent: Wednesday, 22 January 2025 11:57 AM

To

Irrelevant & Sensitive

Subject: Mccrae landslide and water issues

Dear Max,

I live in Waller place and feel with everything going on feel it necessary to pass my observations on to you as they may be pertinent to your investigations. As we all know water has been leaking out of the ground in Waller place and Charlesworth for a significant time, my house is number 5 and along side the boundary runs a drain pipe that originates in the boulevard on the other side of the free way where a natural valley now basin exists, we hade SEW at our property numerous times doing leak detection, at the rear of our property is a service pit which was inspected and ok, during this inspection I discussed with them the drain and the water running through it being way more than normal you could easily here it at the rear of my property as an open grate exists on the freeway side of the fence, following this discussion the gentleman said they better checkout what's on the other side of the freeway. Shortly after a 150mm water pipe was found ruptured in the region of the aforementioned boulevard basin area at outlook st, the storm water drain a former creek and the asset trenches all cross under the freeway at this point.

After the repair of this pipe and in the days before the landslide some area's in Waller place began drying up specifically a major area where significant water was rising at number 1 Waller and constantly flowing into the drain in front on number 4.

It is extremely hard to imagine that this is not a major contributing factor and I'm

aware that SEW testing doesn't indicate it's there water BUT is the testing reliable given the distance that the water has traveled through the ground, could the fluoride and chlorine have been naturally filtered out, I don't want to lay blame or point fingers but for the best interest of the residents and the area it makes since to fully consider all evidence because there are too many coincidences. .

Kind regards

Brett cooper

DISCLAIMER: This email (and attachments) is for the intended recipient only and may contain privileged, confidential or copyright information. If received in error, please notify sender immediately and delete. Any other use is prohibited. Shire accepts no liability for damage caused by this email (and attachments) due to viruses, corruption, delay, interruption, unauthorised access or use. Views expressed are those of the individual and not necessarily Shire. The Shire collects personal information you provide in accordance with its Privacy Policy, the Privacy and Data Protection Act 2014 and the Health Records Act 2001. The personal information you provide will be used by the Shire for the purpose it was provided and it may be used for a related secondary purpose that you would expect. You may access the personal information you have provided to the Shire at any time and make corrections if you believe that information is incorrect. The Shire's Privacy Policy can be viewed on the Shire's website at [mornpen.vic.gov.au/PrivacyStatement](https://www.mornpen.vic.gov.au/PrivacyStatement)<<https://www.mornpen.vic.gov.au/PrivacyStatement>>

[Consider the Environment]