Flood Recovery Report Card - Goornong and District

April 2026

*This community update provides a summary of **flood mitigation work across Goornong and District** since the Summer 2023/2024 floods. This information is accurate as of April 21, 2026.*

You talked, we listened

The City has received over 50 drainage and flooding requests and enquiries relating to Goornong and surrounds following the floods in 2022 and Summer 2023/2024. In addition, we have been holding drop-in sessions and community workshops over the last two years, where we have heard that the community would like to see:

- Improved emergency (flood) warnings and data
- Information on where to go and what to do during a flood event
- Drainage upgrades and increased maintenance of drainage infrastructure
- Information on how to install ring levees and gain approvals

This document provides an update on these issues.

Upcoming community engagement

To register or access the webinar link, click "Have your say" at https://letstalkgreaterbendigo.com.au/flood-and-waterways-studies

Goornong Preliminary Flood Map Exhibition

This workshop will help confirm that the new flood model is accurate.

- **Tuesday April 28, 5.30-8pm**
- **Goornong Memorial Hall**

Drainage and Flooding Webinar

Hear about how rainfall moves through the area and what drainage and flood mitigation projects have been completed and are underway.

- **Thursday April 30, 6-7pm**
- **Online and recorded**

Community Emergency Workshop

This workshop will bring everything together to help shape a community action plan.

- **Tuesday May 12, 5.30-8pm**
- **Bagshot Public Hall**

Goornong and district flood rectification works as at April 2026



Key: Completed Not Started

For **the Goornong district:**

- 862 works identified
- 96% of works completed
- 4% of works to be completed by the end of April 2026

These works included:

- Excavation or removal of debris
- Road and shoulder grading
- Gravel re-sheeting
- Drainage structure reconstruction
- Pothole and road repairs
- Replacing signage and guidance posts

Status update

Completed	To be completed	Not commenced

• **Defects** – Rectification of 96% of the 862 identified defects (see map on previous page)
• **Bagshot Hall ring levee** – Substantially complete
• **Railway Place/Midland Highway, Goornong** – Drain vegetation removal was completed
• **"Floodway" signs** – have been replaced at:
  ○ Epsom-Barnadown Road, between Lomas Road to Cashens Road
  ○ Epsom-Barnadown Road, between Oberins Road to Goornong Fosterville Road
  ○ Goornong-Fosterville Road, between Epsom-Barnadown Road to Campaspe Road
	• **Water depth marker and "Road subject to flooding" signs** – Epsom-Barnadown Road between Oberins Road and Goornong-Fosterville Road are on order and will be replaced by early May 2026
	• **Sealed road patching** – To be completed April 2026
	• **"Clearing the creek" Fact Sheet** – To be finalised and available online by June 30, 2026
	• **Goornong and District Flood Guide** – To be prepared in 2026/2027 led by SES
	• **Goornong Flood Study** – Underway and to be completed in 2026/2027. Further information on next page
	• **Goornong Structure Plan** – Underway. Draft to be completed by late 2026 for public comment. Further information on next page
	• **Goornong and District Local Community Emergency Plan** – See next page
		• **Mapping of creeks / tributaries** – To be investigated with North Central CMA
		• **Tyler Street and Pine Grove drainage networks** – Potential upgrades to be informed by the Goornong Flood Study
		• **Pethericks Road** – Table drain and Crabhole Creek interface to be reviewed following completion of the Goornong Flood Study
		• **Midland Highway culverts at Crabhole Creek** – Potential upgrades to be investigated following completion of the Goornong Flood Study and to be discussed with Department of Transport and Planning and V/Line

Goornong Flood Study

The Goornong Flood Study looks at how water moves through the landscape. The study will produce updated flood maps and identify ways to reduce flood risks. The Study is being prepared by consultant engineers Cumulus Engineering. Consultation to confirm the extent of historical flooding is occurring on April 28, 2026. Draft updated flood maps taking into account the latest rainfall data will be released for public feedback in mid-2026, after internal approval. Further information about the Flood Study is available at https://letstalkgreaterbendigo.com.au/flood-and-waterways-studies/goornong-flood-study

Goornong Structure Plan

The Structure Plan will guide how Goornong grows and changes over the next 30 years. The draft Plan is scheduled to be released for public feedback in late 2026. Further information about the Structure Plan is available at https://letstalkgreaterbendigo.com.au/goornong-plan

Goornong and District Local Community Emergency Plan – get involved

City staff are working with Goornong and District Emergency Planning Group (GDEPG) and other community representatives on several community preparedness and emergency planning initiatives. GDEPG are a collaborative community-led volunteer group focused on enhancing outcomes for the Goornong and district community in the preparation, response, and recovery from disaster events. GDEPG have been working on a recently drafted a Goornong and District Draft Local Community Emergency Plan - to find out more and get involved contact goornongdistrictepg@outlook.com or look up the group on Facebook.

For enquiries about..

- **Infrastructure, drainage and planning:** 1300 002 642 | flooding@bendigo.vic.gov.au
- **Emergency management and resilience:** resilienceandrecovery@bendigo.vic.gov.au
- **Emergency Management Dashboard:** https://www.bendigo.vic.gov.au/emergency
- **Current waterways and flood studies** - **Let's Talk:** https://letstalkgreaterbendigo.com.au/flood-and-waterways-studies