

# Media Statement

3 May 2023

## **Agnes Water and Seventeen Seventy residents encouraged to conserve water**

Residents of Agnes Water and Seventeen Seventy are encouraged to conserve water over the next 48 hours due to a critical fault at the Agnes Water Desalination Plant.

Gladstone Region Mayor Matt Burnett said Council is focused on repairing this damage and is calling on the community to restrict their water consumption over the coming days.

“Council is on-site and undertaking critical maintenance to ensure operations are restored as soon as practically possible,” Councillor Burnett said.

Council will provide an update tomorrow (4 May).

In the next 48 hours, residents and visitors are encouraged to:

- **Do** use a shower timer to minimise water usage
- **Do** only use dishwashers and washing machines when you have a full load
- **Do** check for leaking taps and toilets
- **Do** collect water when showering and reuse greywater in the garden
- **Do not** use garden hoses, sprinkler or automated irrigation systems
- **Do not** wash your car
- **Do not** top up pools and spas
- **Do not** fill up tanks or dams
- **Do not** use water for dust suppression.

**ENDS**