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Council stands with Nepalese community following devastating floods

Glenorchy Mayor Sue Hickey today extended her deepest sympathies on behalf of Glenorchy City Council to Tasmania's Nepalese community in the wake of the horrific flooding in Nepal.

Mayor Hickey said the Nepalese community was the largest migrant community in Glenorchy, and many people would be feeling the impacts of this disaster.

"I would like to convey our sympathy to anyone who has been impacted by this terrible event and offer our support and mateship to the broader Nepalese community.

"The Nepalese community is a very active and proud community within the City of Glenorchy, and I have no doubt this event will be very distressing for many people.

"While our Nepalese community has made Glenorchy their home, I know many retain strong connections to Nepal and their families who still live there. With such large-scale devastation, the coming days and weeks loom as an extremely difficult period, and I want those people who are impacted by this event to know we are standing with them."

Mayor Hickey said Council had contacted representatives of the Nepalese community directly to convey Council's sympathy and offer of support.

"We will be supporting the Nepalese community's efforts to fundraise and provide money for international aid, and Council will share further information how the public can get involved in these efforts in due course.

"As Tasmanians, we know what it is like to have to recover from natural disasters. We know that task is easier when we do it together, shoulder-to-shoulder, and I want the Nepalese community to know we are standing right beside them through this tragedy," she said.

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