



Sewer Systems Policy

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Purpose

The purpose of this policy is to provide guidance for decision making in relation to sewer issues for developments in urban areas in order to ensure that residents are assisted with changing over to the pressure sewer system.

Definitions

Council Carrathool Shire Council

Reference

This policy complements other legislation and where it is silent on matters referred to in the following legislation such matters must be followed in accordance with the legislation.

- Local Government Act 1993
- Local Government (General) Regulation 2005
- Sewer Code of Australia WSA 02-2002

Policy statements

1.0 Sewer System Boundaries

- 1.1 That Council adopt the Sewer System boundary plans for the gravity sewer system and pressure sewer system.
- 1.2 That any development within the boundaries producing sewer waste is required to connect to a sewer system.

2.0 Sewer Charges

- 2.1 That Council levy a sewer charge for each individual parcel of land that is serviced by sewer in accordance with the provisions of sections 552 and 553 of the Local Government Act 1993.
- 2.2 That where sewer mains (including pressure sewer mains) are extended, adjacent landowners be notified that sewer services are now available and that a sewer charge will apply upon connection or within two years from the date of notification of availability of the service, regardless of whether a connection is installed.

3.0 Pressure Sewer System

- 3.1 That no further septic tanks or other on site sewer treatment systems will be allowed within the sewer boundaries of Hillston, Goolgowi and Rankin Springs.
- 3.2 That the landowner retains ownership of the sewer infrastructure within his property up to the boundary kit.



- 3.3 That Council will require the landowner to enter into an agreement with Council to maintain the pump, pump-well and control box. Costs associated with the maintenance of these units are included in the sewer charge. Any damage caused other than by Council will be made good at the landowner's cost.
- 3.4 That Council set a gravity system charge and pressure system charge in the management plan.
- 3.5 That where an existing onsite treatment system (septic tank) fails and the reticulation can be made available, the landowner is required to install a pressure sewer system.
- 3.6 That existing buildings be required to install a pressure sewer system within 10 years of the reticulation becoming available.
- 3.7 That only one allotment is allowed to be connected to each pump unit.
- 3.8 That Council implement the sewer system on a staged basis as demand occurs;
- 3.9 That Council allow the cost of the main and pumping unit, to be paid over four (4) years, with the terms being cumulative and the interest being set in Council's list of charges when adopting the Operational Plan. This applies to existing owners at the time of installation of reticulation and/or where there is an existing building with an on-site system.
- 3.10 Any outstanding debt in relation to the above agreement will be held as a debt over the property until such debt is cleared.

Revision Table

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Associated Documents

- Gravity Sewer Boundary Map
- Pressure Sewer Boundary Map

Review

This policy may be amended from time to time and will be reviewed within four years of its adoption (or latest amendment) with reference to any relevant legislation, best practice guides, or other factor.