

Policy: Water Utility Services

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Service: Water Services

Responsible Officer: Director of Engineering

1. OBJECTIVE

To address ongoing maintenance and repair responsibilities of private water utilities located in the council road reserves which are not the responsibility of council.

2. POLICY

Council accepts there are a range of private services that are situated within a road reserve which are the responsibility of private landowners. The services include:

2.1 Roof water Drainage

- 2.1.1 Roof water drainage which traverses council property and discharges to a kerb outlet.
- 2.1.2 Roof water drainage which crosses private property and connects to an interallotment drainage system that only benefits private owners.
- 2.1.3 Roof water drainage which crosses private property and connects to a drainage system under the control of the council.

For the above Council will only maintain a drainage system covered by 2.1.3 and in all cases the council will not be responsible for maintenance or repairs to a private connection which is a responsibility of the landowner.

2.2 Water Services

- 2.2.1 Council water services from a reticulation main to a private property cross a public road are described as a "short connection" typically where the watermain is on one-side of the road to a "long connection" where the water service traverses under the road to service a property.
- 2.2.2 For residential land the service enters private property and a council water meter is attached.
- 2.2.3 For commercial properties the water meter maybe located in private property however, when this is not possible, for example in Comur Street the water meter will

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be located about 500mm from the building alignment in the footpath (road reserves).

In all cases council will only maintain the water service from the reticulation main to the water meter. From the water meter to the building its service is the responsibility of the property owner. Should any leakage occur and the volume is recorded by the water meter then that cost is the responsibility of the property owner.

3. REFERENCE DOCUMENTS/LEGISLATION

Nil

HISTORY

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