

# Water Connection to Rising and Trunk Mains Policy

## 1 Purpose

Council periodically receives requests to connect to its rising and trunk mains. This policy defines Council's position.

## 2 Policy

- An application for a water supply connection shall only be considered if the land parcel to be supplied has been identified in the 1998 Coffs Harbour City Council Water Supply Strategy Study (de Groot and Benson Pty Ltd) or Water Supply Strategy as amended from time to time.
- No water service connection is allowed to Council's trunk or rising mains except in exceptional circumstances, and where the rising main or trunk main is large enough to accept the connection, and subject to the connection being only made to a storage tank within the private property to ensure no instantaneous demand is placed on the main. The connection to the tank to comply with backflow requirements.

## 3 Definitions

**Rising Main:** Pressurised main as part of the water supply distribution network (not reticulation)

**Trunk Main:** Gravity main as part of the water supply distribution network (not reticulation)

## 4 Key Responsibilities

### General Manager

To lead staff through delegated authority in their understanding of this Policy.

### Director Sustainable Infrastructure and Group Leader Strategic Asset Management

To ensure the commitment made within this Policy is implemented and met.

### Water Services Team Leader

To oversee compliance with, and coordination of the Policy.

### Council Officers

To promote the use of, and knowledge of this Policy.

## 5 References (laws, standards and other Council documents)

- Local Government Act 1993;
- Local Government (General) Regulation 2005;
- AS / NZS 3500 National Plumbing and Drainage Code;
- National Construction Code 2016 – Volume 3 – Plumbing Code of Australia;
- Water Meter/Service Installation Policy;
- Backflow Prevention and Cross Connection Control Policy - Containment Only

## 6 Details of Approval and revision

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