

COMMUNITY WASTEWATER MANAGEMENT SYSTEM (CWMS)

GUIDELINES ON HOW TO CONNECT TO THE CWMS

In order to connect to the CWMS you will be required to submit a wastewater application. This information sheet provides general information for connection to the scheme. It is strongly recommended that your licensed plumber submit application forms as they are familiar with completing applications and drawing up plans. Wastewater application forms can be obtained from the Council office, Rural Transaction Centre (RTC) or downloaded from Council's website. (www.peterborough.sa.gov.au)

Once Council have received your wastewater application and supporting plans then the application will be processed and when approved, a conditional wastewater approval granted to the property owner. When an applicant is not the owner then the applicant will also receive a copy of the wastewater approvals.

NO WASTEWATER ONSITE DRAINAGE WORKS OR CONNECTION TO THE CWMS MUST OCCUR UNTIL YOU RECEIVE CONDITIONAL WRITTEN WASTEWATER APPROVALS FROM COUNCIL TO CONNECT TO THE SCHEME

PENALTIES APPLY

Application Form

Section 1,2,3,4 and 8 of the wastewater application form must be completed and signed by both the owner and applicant. Where a business trade waste connection is made then Section 7 is also required to be filled out.

Application Fee

All application fee and inspection fees are waived for the first four years. Full regulatory fees will be payable to Council thereafter.

Site Layout Plan

Your application will be returned if not fully/correctly completed. A detailed site layout plan (as shown in the example) must be included with your application. Where the drawing does not meet with requirements (see example drawing) then your application will be returned.

- Drawings must detail the road name, property address and location of house, sheds etc.
- Location of proposed drain(s) must include pipe sizes, lengths in metres and location of all proposed inspection points.
- Council connection point, all proposed inspection points location of existing septic tank (to be filled in) and any pump sump.
- Location of boundaries and existing plumbing including vents and exterior gully trap(s).
- Details of any site modification e.g. benching, cutting and filling position of any proposed alteration to existing drain, ie installation of vent and gully trap if not already existing.
- The connection point depth must be checked prior to commencement of works.

Plumbing Layout Drawing (plan)

The building layout plan drawn must be at least A4 size and must be included with your application.

- The position and description of all existing sanitary fixtures to be connected to the CWMS eg toilets, basin, showers, bath, laundry, kitchen.
- The location of your onsite inspection point must be shown located within 1.5m from where a connection is made to an approved Council Connection Point. The method of connecting the fixtures to the drainage system including location of the existing and new drain connection, position and size of wastewater traps sanitary fixtures, floor waste and overflow relief gully, vents and waste pipes.
- Whether there is a spa bath that is more than 120 litres or there is a food waste disposal unit installed.

Please note: For all existing houses that are connecting up to a scheme, a plumbing layout <u>must</u> be provided. Your licensed plumber will be able to assist in drawing up connection plans.

Council Cannot Issue Approval Until:

- A completed application form, signed by the owner and applicant, has been submitted
- A wastewater drainage layout plan detailing proposed and existing plumbing has been received. The plan must clearly denote all new drainage to be installed for connection purposes and location of septic tank(s) which MUST be filled in/removed to a licensed landfill site. Waste from the Septic tank pump-out must be removed by an EPA licensed Carter and a Carter's Note provided to Council. Your plumber may arrange this for you.

Works must be completed by a licensed registered plumber and a Certificate of Compliance (COC) received by Council within 28 days from completion of the works.

Penalties apply for failure to provide a Certificate of Compliance and EPA Carter's note.

Stormwater and roof water drainage MUST NOT be connected to the CWMS. Penalties will apply.

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