

Drainage Headworks Contributions

Policy Objective

To provide guidance on the financial contributions by landowners towards the provision of drainage headworks as part of subdivision and development.

To minimise the cost and impact on the Shire's drainage infrastructure capital and maintenance program.

To ensure that the Shire's drainage program can be delivered in time to match the rate of developments in the Shire.

These Contributions are imposed through the subdivision and development process, as 'standard contributions', in accordance with the Planning and Development Act 2005, and relevant Statement Planning Policy, SPP 3.6.

Policy Statement

That all subdivisions and/or developments (except for single residential developments) be subject to a financial contribution towards the provision of trunk drainage infrastructure controlled by the Shire.

Guidelines

1. Contributions for Drainage Headworks are applicable for:
 - a. Subdivisions – Any new lot created by any subdivision, built strata or survey strata in any Planning Zone in the Township of Broome.
 - b. Developments – Any new development on an existing lot in any Planning Zone in the Township of Broome, except for the, Settlement, General Rural, Rural Agriculture and Rural Living zones, for which the Shire cannot determine if a payment has been made previously.
2. Drainage Headwork charges are to be reviewed annually by Council, as part of the Fees and Charges setting process of the budget preparation.
3. Subdivisions shall be charged on a per lot basis and developments on a per hectare charge.
4. The contribution rate shall be determined at the time of payment.
5. The contribution shall be payable prior to the final clearance for a subdivision or prior to the issue of a building license, for a development.

6. The contributions shall be retained in a separately identified Council reserve fund for the specific use, as required, on capital drainage works within the particular catchment the funds were generated from.
7. Funds are non-refundable except where a request is received in writing and Council resolves to refund an amount for any subdivision or development that is withdrawn, lapses or generally does not proceed within the statutory time limits.

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