



Policy number	Policy 203
Policy title	Stormwater runoff containment
Strategic outcomes supported	EN2 – A safe, interconnected and well-maintained transport network that makes it easy for everyone to get around. EN5 – Appropriate and sustainable facilities for everyone that are well built, well maintained and well managed.

POLICY OBJECTIVE:

To provide guidance on connections from private property to the Town's stormwater drainage system with an outline of the Town's requirements.

Commented [MC1]: @Frank Squadrito Hi Frank - can we include words that this relates to the connection of private property to Town's stormwater

Commented [FS2R2]: @Michael Cole Private property wording added.

POLICY SCOPE:

This policy applies to the management of stormwater drainage in the Town.

DEFINITIONS:

Nil Annual Exceedance Probability (AEP): means the probability of an event being either equalled to or exceeded within a given year.

Permissible Site Discharge (PSD): Is the maximum rate of discharge permitted by the Town that can be accommodated by the existing downstream stormwater system.

Freeboard: Is the vertical allowance made between the design water level and some identifiable/specific point, such as a bridge, top of an embankment or finished floor levels in adjacent buildings.

POLICY STATEMENT:

1. Except wWhere topographical or ground conditions make it impractical for a proposed development to accommodate a 1% AEP storm event (traditionally referred to as a 1 in 100 year event), an overland overflow route may be considered subject to permissible site discharge requirements having been determined by the proponent and approved by the Town. and/or a piped connection to a Town stormwater drainage system is both possible and approved, all stormwater falling on private land shall be contained within that land by means of a drainage system capable of effectively preventing the discharge of runoff onto adjacent private or public property.
2. Where stormwater overflow discharge from a residential or commercial property is proposed, a detailed justification is required encompassing the following documentation;
 1. Geotechnical report detailing requirements for offsite stormwater containment
 2. A comprehensive stormwater plan certified by a Hydraulic Engineer
 3. Approval from the Town's Street Improvement Business Unit.
2. For commercial or industrial developments the owner of the property may make an application for an extension or connection to the Town's stormwater drainage system.

3. Where there is concern regarding the pollution of the stormwater generated on such a property, the stormwater must be adequately treated and retained on site.
- 3.4. In circumstances where flood routing options are limited (e.g trapped low points) and stormwater cannot be conveyed adequately from private property into the Towns road network and/or subsequent drainage pipes, the proposed building pad shall be recommended to be designed such that stormwater will not inundate the habitable floor area during a 1%AEP storm event. Wherever possible, the building pad shall be recommended to be provided with a minimum freeboard of 300mm.
4. In general, for residential properties, stormwater should be retained on site. However in circumstances where stormwater cannot be suitably retained a connection to Town's drainage system may be approved.
5. Any connection to the Town's stormwater drainage system is undertaken by the Town at the owner's cost.
- 6.5. Any civil works required to accommodate an overflow discharge into the Town's stormwater drainage system shall be undertaken by the proponent at their expense. Connection fees shall be in accordance with the amount shown in the Schedule of Fees and Charges contained in the annual budget.

RELATED DOCUMENTS:

[Local Government Act 1995 s.3.25 \(1\) Schedule 3.1\(1\)](#)

Policy manager	Manager – Technical Services
Responsible officers	-
Approval authority	Council
Next Evaluation Date	

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