



PITTWATER COUNCIL

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WATERCOURSE PRESERVATION

1. That the piping of watercourses, be discouraged.
2. Wherever possible watercourses be kept in, or restored to their natural state.
3. Piping of watercourses is to be discouraged, the decision to pipe, or otherwise, is to be determined by the Urban Services Manager.
4. In that respect of all future road and other drainage works undertaken by Council, or by developers, special attentions be given to the assessment of requirements for the piping or other appropriate treatment of watercourse, depressions and all manner of other low lying lands proposed to be used for the conveyance, ponding or disposal of stormwater and other discharges from the Council's drainage systems to ensure that, where necessary, works are designed and constructed to adequately cater for peaks flows and minimise the likelihood of damage or nuisance to private property or other property not owned or controlled by the Council.
5. Any piping or works on the watercourse are to be in accordance with Council's "Urban Stormwater – Integrated Policy".
6. That all costs associated with the design and construction of such works be met by the:
 - (a) Council in respect of all works of the Council;
 - (b) Developers in respect of works required in connection with new development proposals.
7. In respect of works of the Council only, that easements be obtained at Council's cost in instances where works are proposed to be constructed upon or through private land or other land not owned or controlled by Council.
8. That provision be made from year to year in the Council's estimates for the adequate maintenance of drainage works or watercourses serving as works.
9. That in all instances where it is proposed to enter private land or other land not owned or controlled by the Council for any purpose in connection with the construction, reconstruction or otherwise of works and the like referred to herein, prior notice be given and the owner's and occupier's consents be obtained wherever practicable.