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Consideration of this Policy be deferred for further information until the next meeting of the Committee.

OBJECTIVE

To determine guidelines for building in relation to drainage easements.

POLICY

1. Building adjacent to concrete channels, whether controlled by the Hunter Water Corporation or by Council, shall be sited at a distance from the edge of the channel of not less than 3.5 metres.
 - a) To permit the access of machinery for maintenance purposes; and

b) To provide for above bank flow of flood water.

2. Building is not permitted on land which has been filled with garbage, until the garbage has been removed and the land refilled with clean compacted material.
3. Building is not permitted over easements which have not been piped.
4. Building of a minor nature may be constructed over piped easements or future easements identified in Council's Drainage Study with the concurrence of the Roads, Bridges and Design Manager and subject to the owner providing a positive covenant guaranteeing that the building will be removed if and when required by Council and at no cost to Council. Building conditions will also be imposed.
5. Where it is suspected that proposed building activity may interfere with overland drainage flow, such buildings not be approved.