#### **TENTERFIELD SHIRE COUNCIL**

## POLICY STATEMENT

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### **Policy Objectives**

Sewerage systems are generally designed to cater for waste from domestic sources that are essentially of predictable strength and quality. Council may accept trade waste into its sewerage system as a service to businesses and industry.

This Policy has therefore been developed to ensure the proper management liquid trade waste discharges to Council's sewerage system to:-

- protect public health;
- protect the health and safety of Council employees;
- protect the environment from the discharge of waste that may have a detrimental effect;
- protect Council assets from damage;
- assist Council to meet its statutory obligations;
- provide an environmentally responsible liquid trade waste service to the nonresidential sector;
- encourage waste minimisation and cleaner production in the commercial and industrial sectors;
- promote water conservation, water recycling and bio-solids reuse;
- ensure compliance of liquid trade waste dischargers with Council's approved conditions;
- provide operational data on the volume and composition of industrial and commercial effluent to assist in the operation of the sewerage system and the design of augmentations or new sewerage systems; and
- ensure commercial provision of services and full cost recovery through appropriate sewerage and liquid trade waste fees and charges.

## **Policy Statement**

A person wanting to discharge liquid trade waste to Council's sewerage system must, under Section 68 of the Local Government Act 1993, obtain the prior approval from Council.

Failure to obtain Council's approval to discharge liquid trade waste or comply with the conditions of approval is an offence under Section 626 and 627 of the Act for which penalties apply.

Council has developed a comprehensive Liquid Trade Waste Regulation Procedure to support this Policy. The Procedure is concerned with the approval, monitoring, and enforcement process for liquid trade waste discharged to Council's sewerage system and the levying of commercial sewerage and liquid trade waste fees and charges.

# Applicability

This Policy applies to any person wanting to discharge liquid trade waste to Council's sewerage system.

## Definitions

Liquid Trade Waste means all liquid waste other than sewage of a domestic nature.

## **Related Policies / Documents**

Liquid Trade Waste Regulation Procedure - May 2016

## **Legislative Requirements**

Local Government Act 1993

Local Government (General) Regulation 2005