Catchment Operations Committee

Statement of Purpose

The purpose of the Catchment Operations Committee is as follows:

- To ensure, through appropriate performance monitoring and information receipt, the effective provision of river and drainage engineering services to the Region.
- To ensure through appropriate performance monitoring and information receipt, the effective provision of sustainable land use services to the Region.
- To ensure effective liaison with territorial authorities, scheme/catchment liaison committees and scheme ratepayers.
- Where delegated by Council, recommend to Council for its adoption, finalised draft river and drainage scheme reviews and rating proposals, after taking due account of public submissions.
- To formulate recommendations to Council in relation to sustainable land management investments.

Committee Membership

The Committee consists of five to twelve elected members and sits four times a year.

A quorum will consist of:

- half of the members physically present, where the number of members (including vacancies) is even; and
- a majority of the members physically present, where the number of members (including vacancies) is odd.

Objectives

The operating objectives are:

- Monitor the implementation and progress of river control, erosion control and drainage schemes administered by the Council.
- Monitor the development of asset management plans to ensure service levels are consistent with stakeholder expectations
- Monitor the implementation of investigations and works on non-scheme rivers.
- As delegated by Council, develop policy and plans (including scheme reviews, rating systems, scheme upgrades and new schemes).
- Approve annual sustainable land use programmes and monitor their implementation.
- Encourage establishment of Scheme and/or Catchment Liaison committees, monitor their operation and participate as appropriate.

Delegations

The Committee has no general decision-making or financial delegations, but from time to time may be given such delegations by Council for specific matters.