

## **Land Drainage Working Group - Terms of Reference**

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Chair	Councillor Cotter
Membership	Councillor Clearwater, Councillor Davidson
Quorum	Half of the members if the number of members (including vacancies) is even, or a majority of members if the number of members (including vacancies) is odd.
Meeting Cycle	Bimonthly and additionally as required
Reports To	Infrastructure, Transport and Environment Committee

### **Responsibilities**

The Land Drainage Working Group is responsible for matters relating to the Land Drainage Recovery Programme (“LDRP”), including opportunities for betterment, in furtherance of the aim of the LDRP to deliver projects to:

- Mitigate the effects of the earthquakes on flood risk in the city by restoring flood risk to pre-earthquake levels on a prioritized basis
- Repair damage to waterways and land drainage infrastructure
- Help restore community resiliency and wellbeing by reducing the risk from flooding
- Improve the non-drainage values (six values) of our waterways through sensitive design of remediation works

The Land Drainage Working Group will provide a governance overview of the LDRP to the Infrastructure, Transport and Environment Committee (“the Committee”) by:

- Monitoring the implementation of the Mayoral Flood Taskforce recommendations and the maintenance of project works
- Monitoring the progress of the LDRP and associated project works
- Monitoring engagement and communication with local communities, including keeping key stakeholders informed of progress of the LDRP
- Investigating water quality improvement opportunities

The Land Drainage Working Group is also responsible for working with community representatives and civil defence staff to develop a framework, including purposes, objectives and criteria, for a proposed Flood Response Fund, which it will recommend to the Committee.

As a working group reporting to the Committee, the Land Drainage Working Group may work on land drainage matters more generally from time to time as directed by the Committee to contribute to the Committee’s responsibilities to consider and report to Council on issues and activities relating to:

- Stormwater drainage, including the LDRP
- Natural hazards protection, including flood protection and river control
- Natural environment, including the waterways, aquifers, ecology and conservation of resources
- Water quality improvement