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Tank Replenishment Schemes are outside council's standard service area.

Properties that are part of a Tank Replenishment Scheme are subject to different water service conditions. Water supply may be intermittent, or limited to low flow or off-peak periods. The water pressure may also fluctuate.

These schemes were historically allowed under previous developmental guidelines.

Due to the costs involved in providing upgraded infrastructure for full water supply, approval

was granted to allow some subdivisions to be part of a Tank Replenishment Scheme and install water storage tanks as an alternative.

Often these subdivisions were located on the periphery of the urban areas.

The properties were developed with the understanding that Council would not guarantee a continuous supply of water and pressure would be lower than normal service levels.

The schemes are designed to include a water storage tank with its own pump to provide the service level required to the individual house. The tank may also be

required for firefighting. It is therefore essential for every property connected to the water supply within these schemes to have a water storage tank.

The different water service conditions apply to properties at:

- Cape Hillsborough Road, Cape Hillsborough
- Wainai Road, Farleigh
- Ian Reddacliff Drive, The Leap
- Palm Ridge Drive, Richmond
- Droughtmaster Drive, Hay Point
- Austin Drive, Eton
- Rural View Drive, Nindaroo
- Mooreland Street, Bakers Creek

Council acknowledges that these schemes are not common and will not be allowed in future developments.

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Council's Responsibility

- The installation of a water service to the property boundary (at the owner's cost)
- The supply of water to the property so that the tank may be replenished with town water supply
- Council will replace water meters in accordance with Council's meter replacement program
- Council will maintain all water infrastructure up to and including the water meter. All plumbing works after the meter is the responsibility of the property owner.

Property Owners' Responsibility

- Provide adequate water storage on site to meet daily demands and, if required, for firefighting
- Provide pressure pumps to boost water pressure to the desired level
- Provide backflow prevention via an air gap at the top of the tank
- Ensure water from non-potable water sources are not connected to the tank
- Avoid any cross connection of pipework with other water sources
- Ensure the water service connecting the water meter and

the tank is installed by a person licensed to perform such works

- Ensure there are no connections between the meter and the water storage tank.

For more information about the Tank Replenishment Scheme phone council on 1300 MACKAY (1300 622 529).