



## Sewerage services in San Isidore

Wagga Wagga City Council is currently seeking feedback from San Isidore residents about whether or not you would like to be connected to Wagga Wagga's sewerage network.

Council is in a position to review the potential viability of servicing San Isidore as the village has been identified by the State's Regional Water and Waste Water Backlog Program as one of 71 areas to be eligible for capital investment funding.

This funding could cover 20-50% of the estimated cost of the planning and construction required to complete the connection.

### How will it work?

If the project was to proceed, San Isidore's sewerage system will connect to Wagga Wagga's conventional sewerage system at Ashmont via a new pumping station and rising main.

This will require the installation of gravity sewer mains within the village area which will transport effluent from the residential properties to the pump station.

This is similar to the set up that was recently undertaken to connect Mangoplah Village to a Council network.

If this project was successful Council officers would seek to have the system operational by 2020.

### How much will it cost households?

As per previous village sewer projects Council would seek to waive the requirement for households within 75 metres of a sewer network to connect to the system if they have an existing septic system, or on site management system (OSMS).

However, at the termination of their current

### Funding snapshot

**6 March 2015: NSW Government announced \$110 million in Restart NSW funding for regional infrastructure projects, to help clear a backlog of projects in country towns affected by ongoing water quality and sewerage problems.**

**The Restart NSW Fund was set up to improve the economic growth and productivity in the State and to fund projects that will improve infrastructure required for the economic competitiveness of the state, including access to water.**

**This funding will be delivered under the Regional Water and Wastewater Backlog Program, which is part of the \$325 million Water Security for Regions reservation in the 2014-15 State Budget to assist the Government to meet its targets for access to and quality of potable water.**

**Up to a 50% portion of the cost of the eligible projects are available which could see a reduced rate for the development of new services for the residents of San Isidore, and enhance the development opportunities within the city for economic growth and prosperity.**

### Community Information Session

Come along and speak to Council staff about this potential project at an information session.

**When:** Wednesday 6pm 19 August

**Where:** San Isidore Church Hall

OSMS license, residents will be required to connect to Council's sewer network.

To encourage participation of connection to Council system, Council has previously waived section 64 and section 68 fees if owners connect within the first 12 months of availability of the system.

- Section 68 – permit to carry out works – Currently \$1358
- Section 64 – fee for development of sewer – Currently \$3759.78

#### Private Connection costs:

Costs to decommission and install necessary plumbing required to connect to the public system are the responsibility of the property owner. Costs would vary depending on private plumbing costs and your properties requirements, such as existing plumbing condition and distance to connection point.

#### Ongoing charge:

An annual residential sewer charge would apply to properties in San Isidore if they were connected to the sewerage system. This charge would be in addition to land rates, and is currently set at \$453.50 per dwelling unit.

## Why should we sign up?

Some of the benefits of connecting to a conventional sewerage system include:

- Low to no associated health risks
- Low to no associated environmental risks
- Low to no odour problems
- Maintenance is funded by council
- Small yearly costs compared with large costs of installation, repair, renewal and maintenance of on-site systems
- Waste water is treated off site
- Possibility of further subdivision and local growth as identified in Wagga Wagga City Council's Spatial Plan 2013-2043

## Want to know more?

Call Council's Community Engagement Officer Lauren Fitzgerald on 1300 292 442 or email [communityengagement@wagga.nsw.gov.au](mailto:communityengagement@wagga.nsw.gov.au)

