

New Manhole on Ferny Lane



As a part of the footpath construction project from the airport to Burnt Pine, a manhole upgrade needed to be completed on Ferny Lane. The manhole was custom made with PE plastic. The plastic material is not affected by the gases of the sewage meaning that it will have an extremely long service life.

This is a major intersection in the Water Assurance Scheme and is the point where nearly all of the sewerage network converges before it heads to the wastewater treatment plant. It is good to future proof this section of the sewer network and trial this new technology on the island.

The whole sewer network needed to be shut down for the day and the sullage cart was busy carting from a temporary tank to the treatment plant. Contractors worked into the night to ensure everything could be brought back online.

The Norfolk Island Regional Council apologies for the inconvenience caused through the temporary excavation on Ferny Lane and would like to thank all involved for the successful installation of the manhole. It is reassuring to know that we have this capacity on the island when future works are required.

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