

Draft Policy FLD06: Development in Proximity to Controlled Reservoirs

'Where a proposal for new development lies within the flood inundation area of a Controlled reservoir, the Council will grant permission where it can be demonstrated that the condition, management and maintenance regime of the reservoir is appropriate to provide sufficient assurance, provided by a suitably qualified engineer regarding reservoir safety.

Where assurance on the condition, management and maintenance regime of the relevant reservoir/s is not demonstrated, the application must be accompanied by a Flood Risk Assessment, or other analysis, which assesses the downstream flood risk in the event of an uncontrolled release of water due to reservoir failure as being acceptable to enable the development to proceed.

There will be a presumption against development within the potential flood inundation area for proposals that include:

- essential infrastructure;
- storage of hazardous substances;
- accommodation for vulnerable groups; and
- for any development located in areas where the FRA indicates potential for an unacceptable combination of depth and velocity.'