

# YOUR DRAINWISE CHECKLIST



## GOOD GULLY TRAP

- High sides above the ground
- Water tight and sealed around the edges



## BAD GULLY TRAP

- Cracked or leaking
- Sides too low
- Surface water can get in



## GOOD DOWNPIPE & GUTTERING

- Not going into your gully trap
- Drains rain from your roof to a Council approved stormwater outlet



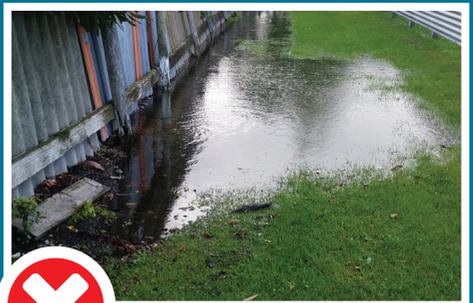
## BAD DOWNPIPE & GUTTERING

- Directs rain into your gully trap
- It only takes 4 properties like this to overwhelm the sewerage network in one catchment



## NO SURFACE WATER

- A way to drain stormwater off your property and into a Council approved stormwater outlet



## PONDING OR FLOODING

- Allows stormwater into the wastewater network by flowing through your gully trap or soaking through the ground into cracked pipes



## GOOD PIPES

- Clear of any blockages
- Pipes do not leak or allow stormwater in through cracks



## BAD PIPES

- Blocked, cracked or leaking
- Tree roots have damaged pipes



During heavy rainfall, Gisborne's wastewater system gets overwhelmed with stormwater (rain) and the system can't cope with the volume of extra water going through it.

When this happens, wastewater overflows onto people's properties and out of manholes on roads. To prevent this from happening, Council has to open valves and discharge the wastewater into the river.

Stormwater can enter the wastewater system from YOUR property. Help us to prevent wastewater overflows by following this simple checklist!

**For more info, please visit [www.gdc.govt.nz/drainwise](http://www.gdc.govt.nz/drainwise)**