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Developer Consultative Committee (DCC)

Meeting #20

Thursday 14 May 2026



The background is a dark blue color with faint, large-scale Aboriginal patterns. On the left side, there is a large, intricate circular design in orange, brown, and white, featuring concentric circles and radiating lines. On the right side, there are two stylized green leaves with white outlines and internal patterns, and a white circular motif with radiating lines. The text is centered in the middle of the image.

Acknowledgement of Country

AusNet acknowledges Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people as the Traditional Custodians of the lands on which we live and work. We pay respects to Elders past and present and celebrate their continuing connection to Country.

Agenda

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Time	Item	Lead
11:00am 2 mins	Welcome	Craig Velt
11:05am 5mins	1. Safety Moment Traffic Management	Ally Symons
11:10am 10mins	2. Metrics Quarterly Performance	Ross Morgan
11:20am 5 mins	3. Construction Compliance Field Audit & Build Quality Trends	Lucas Jurey & Ally Symons
11:25am 5mins	4. Design Application Trends	Craig Velt
11:30am 5 mins	5. Implementation of Automatable Switchgear in Kiosk Substations	Andrew Webber
11:35am 10 mins	6. Contestable Construction Tolerances Guidelines	Lucas Jurey
11:45am 15mins	Open Floor & Next Steps	Craig Velt



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**Safety
Moment** | Traffic
Management
Awareness

Traffic Management Awareness

Reminder...

- With Winter fast approaching, a friendly reminder that roads will be wet and slippery
- On active job sites, limit the amount of traffic driving through
- Remind contractors on site to be vigilant and stay safe



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Metrics | Quarterly Performance

Key metrics | Our quarterly performance

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Jan– Mar 2026

Process step	Description	2023 Targets	QTR performance
Design reviews (approvals)	This stage includes Design reviews and Master Plan reviews.	90% completed < 15 clear business days	QTR Performance: 99% Volume: 549 Rejected: 23%
As Built Plan Review	Review of Cable Detailing quality to ensure compliance with Dial Before You Dig licence obligations	95% completed <3 clear business days	QTR Performance: 99% Volume: 750 Rejected: 9%
Pre-commission network audits (audit before we energise)	Our accredited auditors assess the accuracy of the staged audits. Developers are provided with a pass/fail result.	95% completion within 10 clear bus. days	QTR Performance: 98% Volume: 68 Failed: 15%
Final network audit	Our accredited auditors assess the tie-in work to ensure it meets compliance and safety standards. Sites can be energised ahead of this stage.	95% completion within 10 clear bus. days	QTR Performance: 96% Volume: 84 Failed: 14%

Key metrics | Historical performance

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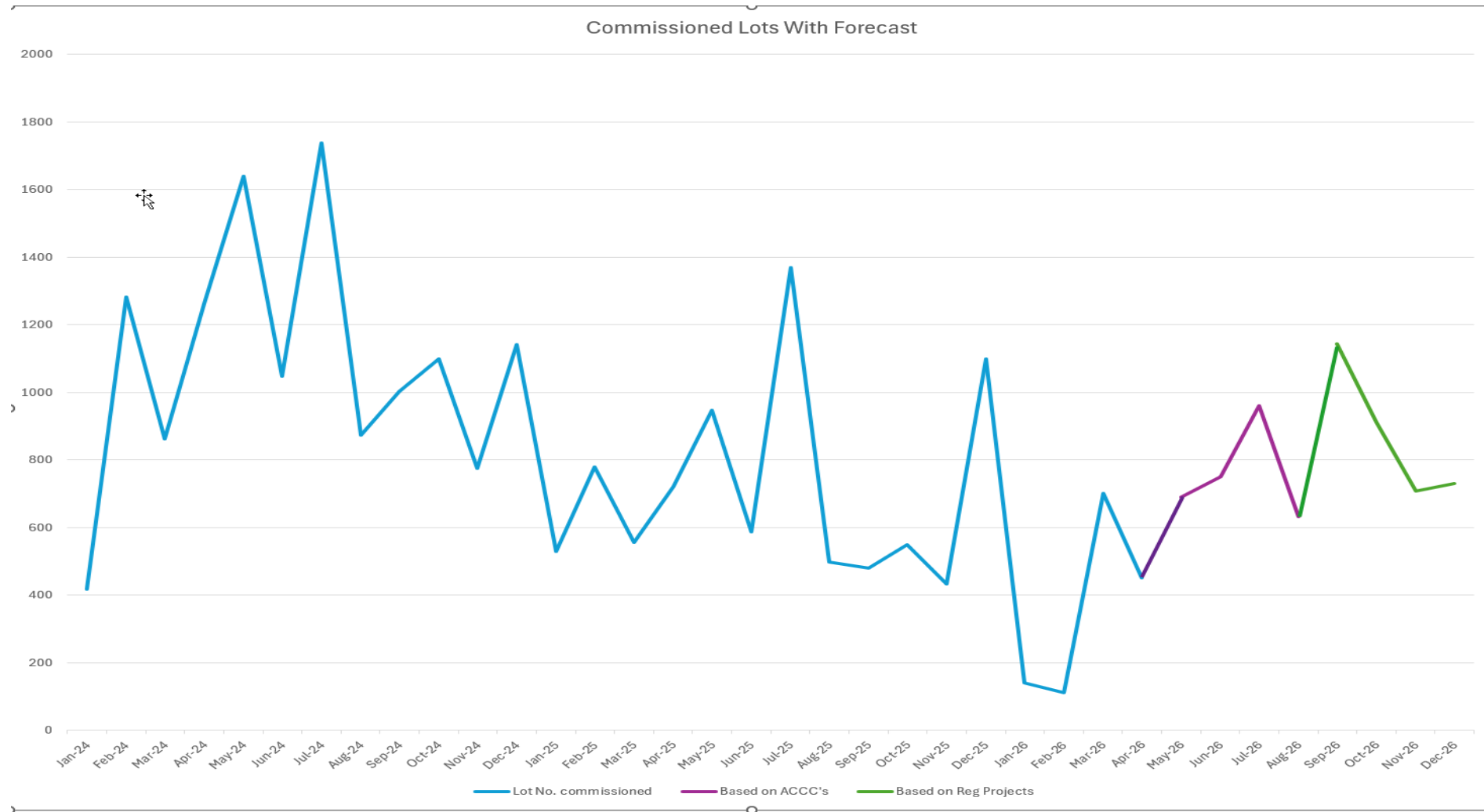
Process step	Current performance Jan-Mar 2026	Oct - Dec 2025	July - Sept 2025	Apr-Jun 2025	Jan-Mar 2025
Design reviews (approvals)	QTR Performance: 99% Volume: 549 Rejected: 23%	QTR Perf: 96% Volume: 632 Rejected: 21%	QTR Perf: 99% Volume: 588 Rejected: 20%	QTR Perf: 98% Volume: 619 Rejected: 19%	QTR Perf: 95% Volume: 488 Rejected: 19%
As Built Plan Review	QTR Performance: 99% Volume: 750 Rejected: 9%	QTR Perf: 98% Volume: 749 Rejected: 17%	QTR Perf: 99% Volume: 906 Rejected: 22%	QTR Perf: 88% Volume: 881 Rejected: 23%	QTR Perf: 83% Volume: 717 Rejected: 24%
Pre-commission network audits (audit before we energise)	QTR Performance: 98% Volume: 68 Failed: 15%	QTR Perf: 100% Volume: 93 Failed: 18%	QTR Perf: 100% Volume: 101 Failed: 20%	QTR Perf: 99% Volume: 153 Failed: 24%	QTR Perf: 100% Volume: 89 Failed: 18%
Final network audit	QTR Performance: 96% Volume: 84 Failed: 14%	QTR Perf: 100% Volume: 96 Failed: 10%	QTR Perf: 100% Volume: 158 Failed: 12%	QTR Perf: 97% Volume: 121 Failed: 12%	QTR Perf: 100% Volume: 121 Failed: 15%

Lots Commissioned with Forecast Added

4mth bring forward of ACCC's & 8mth bring forward of Application No's



Do you have any feedback on this new graph?



Tracking industry performance

Quarterly performance comparison October – December 2025

Scorecard Results

External Company	Design Scorecard				PM Scoreboard				Detailing Scorecard				Electric Construction Scorecard				Civil Construction Scorecard			
	Endorsed Drawings	Rejected Drawings	Total Drawings Reviewed	Endorsement Rate	Audit Pass	Audit Fail	Total Audits	Audit Pass Rate	QA Pass	QA Fail	Total QA	Pass Rate %	Audit Pass Rate (Civil & Elect)	Volume of Audits completed	Total Electrical Defects (Minor & Major)	Electric Defects per Audit	Pass Rate (Civil & Elect)	Volume of Audits completed	Civil Defects (Minor & Major)	Civil Defects per Audit
Ave				74%				74%				78%	67%			1.08	75%			1.54
Company A					16	0	16	100%					100%	18	1	0.05				
Company B	58	19	77	75%	6	4	10	60%												
Company C					6	0	6	100%					100%	14			100%	7		
Company D	27	18	45	60%	6	0	6	100%	64	25	89	72%								
Company E					1	2	3	33%					0%	2	4	2				
Company F	16	10	26	60%					65	17	82	79%								
Company G													56%	9	15	1.66				
Company H													92%	6	12	2	90%	4	7	1.75
Company I					14	0	14	100%					93%	117	23	0.2	100%	1	2	2
Company J	63	26	89	71%	24	1	25	96%												
Company K	35	7	42	83%	7	1	8	88%	31	16	47	66%								
Company L	172	36	208	83%	37	14	51	73%	76	17	93	82%								
Company M	17	2	19	89%	5	4	9	56%	69	15	74	93%								
Company N	84	37	121	69%	32	7	39	82%	29	19	48	60%								
Company O					21	3	24	88%					86%	29	10	0.34	93%	11		
Company P													67%	3						
Company Q	27	18	45	60%	11	5	16	69%	20	5	25	80%	58%	19	10	0.52	67%	3	1	0.33
Company R	43	6	49	88%	7	0	7	100%												
Company S	2	1	3	67%	0	1	1	0%	1	0	1	100%								
Company T					1	0	1	100%					18%	11	40	3.63	33%	3		
Company U					2	1	3	67%					50%	2						
Company V					6	6	12	50%	8	2	10	80%	50%	12	10	0.83	80%	5	1	0.16
Company W					2	0	2	100%					67%	6	1	0.16	100%	1		
Company X																				
Company Y													100%	2			100%	12		
Company Z																				
Company A1									22	14	36	61%								

Highlights for this quarter:

- ✓ Data available on request (relevant to privacy guidelines)

Reach out to us for more details.

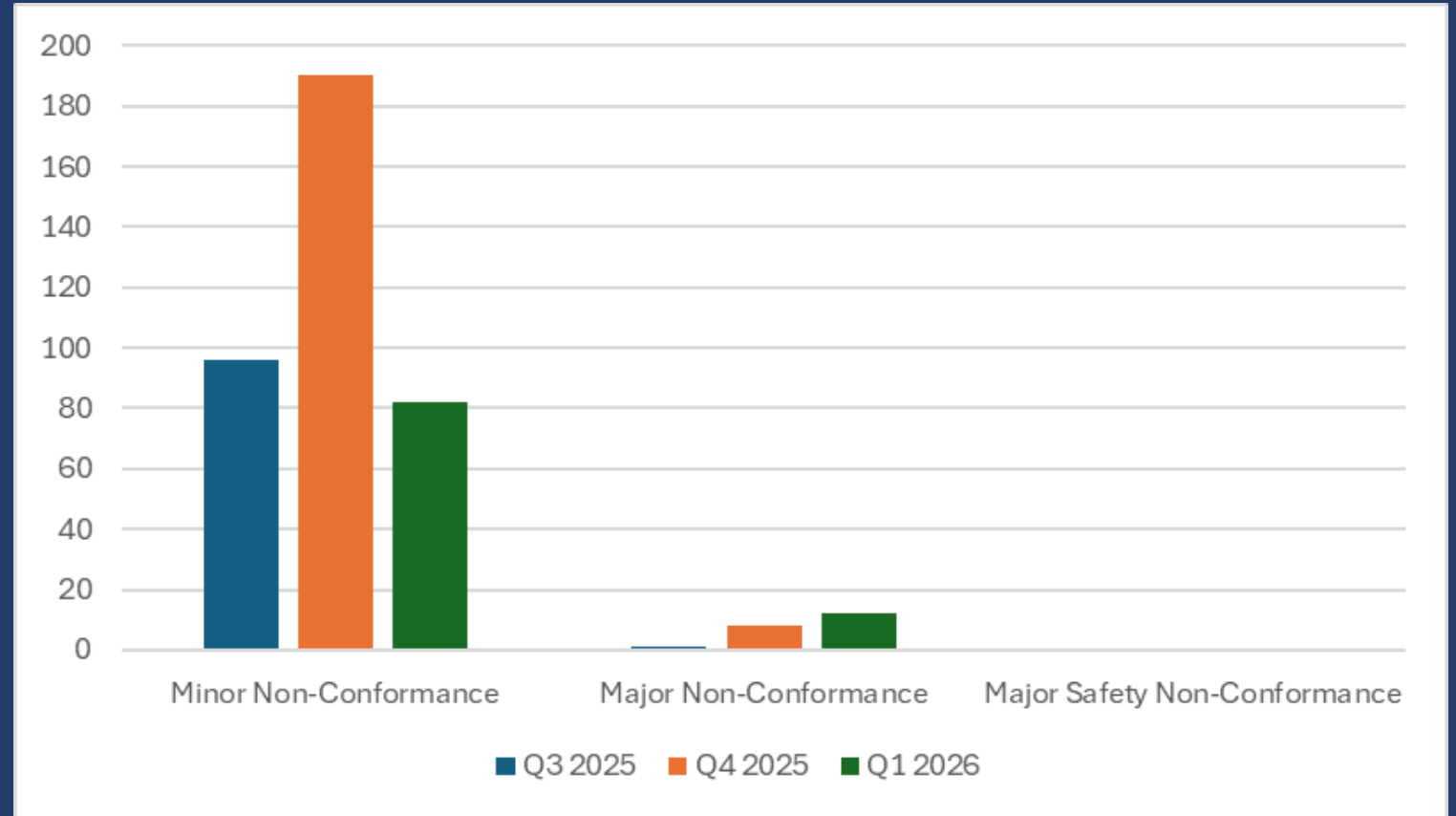
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Construction Compliance | Field Audit & Build Quality Trends

Audit Field Trends

Update on key audit trends for the period Jan - Mar 2026:

- **175 URD Network Audits** completed on Accredited service providers in the 1st quarter of 2026
- **108 Audits** passed first time!
- **126 Total Non-Conformances** in Q1 showing a downward trend from Q4 2025.
- **No Major Safety Non-Conformances** for last 5 Quarters



Identified areas of findings

As Built Data Issues have increased again since last quarter and currently attribute 13% of non-conformances identified. Reminder, network audits cannot be conducted off preliminary as-builts.

Civil/Reinstatement/Marker Tape Issues continues to attribute to 14% of overall NC's, reminder minimum 80% of final levels need to be completed.

Overhead classified non-conformances has slightly increased since last quarter, which reinforces the need for the OH Pre-Comm requirements to be followed. Requests for work arounds currently equates to 16% of all requests to Option2Enquires.

	Electrical - 64
	Civil - 40
	Public Lighting - 10
	Detailing - 16
	Marker Tape - 7
	Final Levels - 10
	Overhead - 12
	Pits - 11

Audit field trends

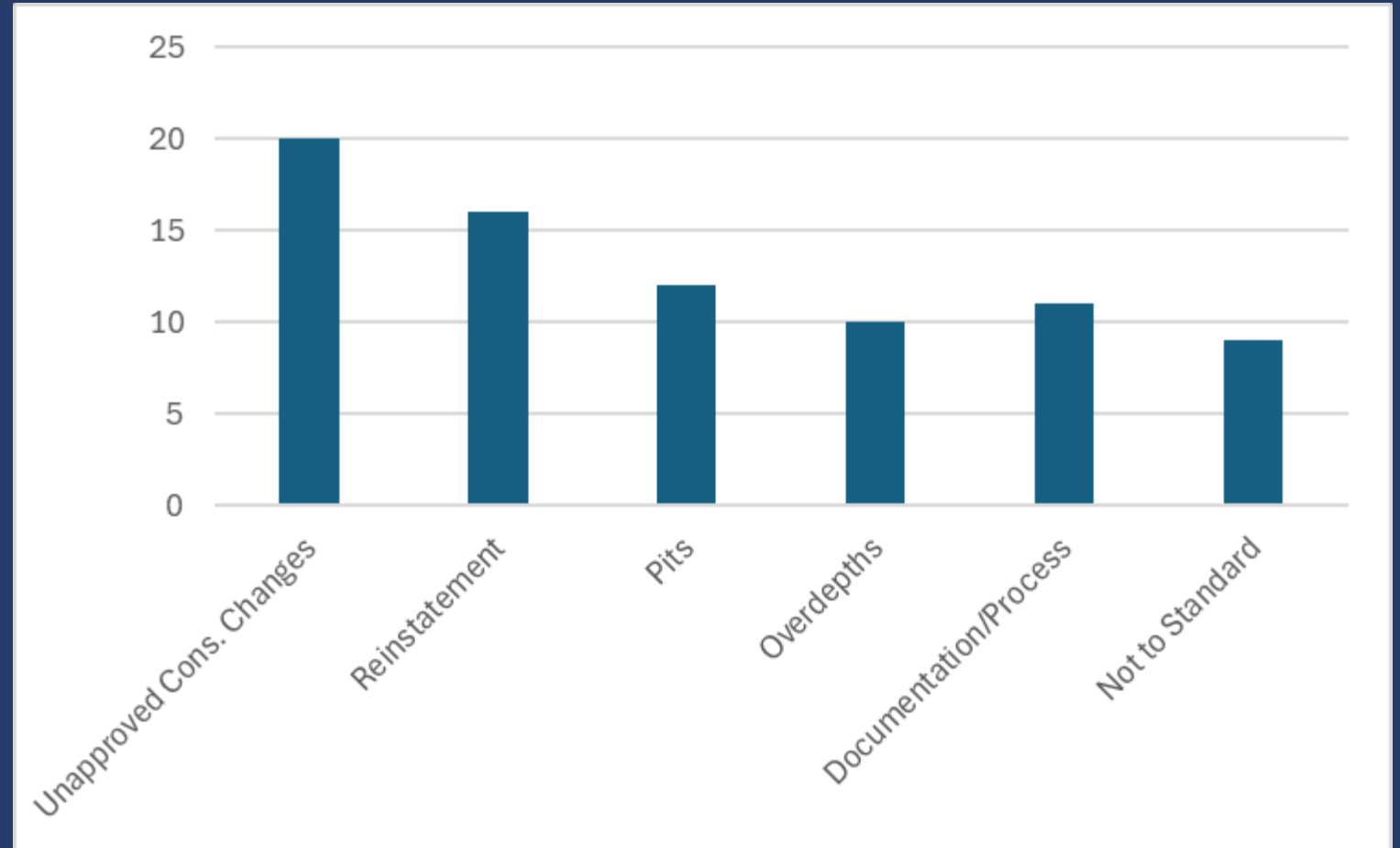
Overview of Non-Conformance Types

We have seen a **rise in non-conformances** relating to:

- Changes to design without approval in both overheads and undergrounds
- Poor re-instatement on site of both levels and marker tape
- Incorrect documentation provided or correct processes followed

We have seen **a drop in non-conformances** relating to:

- Kiosk reserves
- Clearance issues
- Public lighting



Key Take-Aways



Concerning number of non-conformances identified with as built not matching what is installed on site



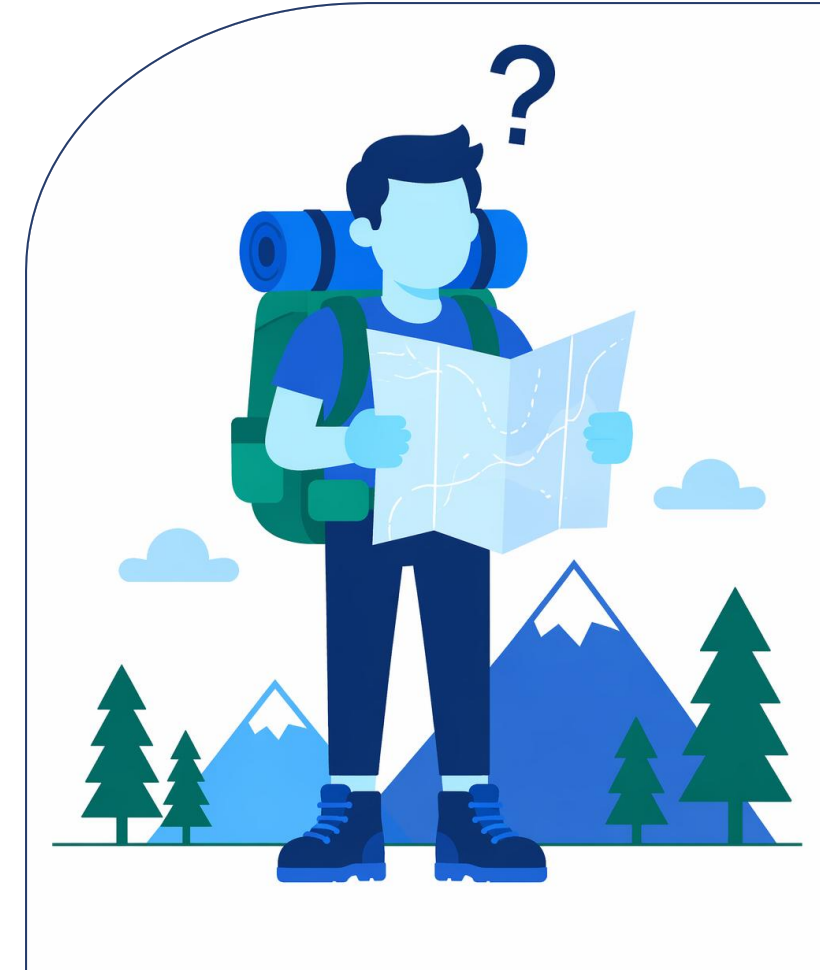
Changes in design without prior approval is not acceptable and can be avoided



Requests to bypass overhead pre-comm audit is still increasing, which is resulting in poorer quality workmanship



Urgency around SOC must not be used as a reason to seek approval of non-conformances or approval to skip correct process and procedure



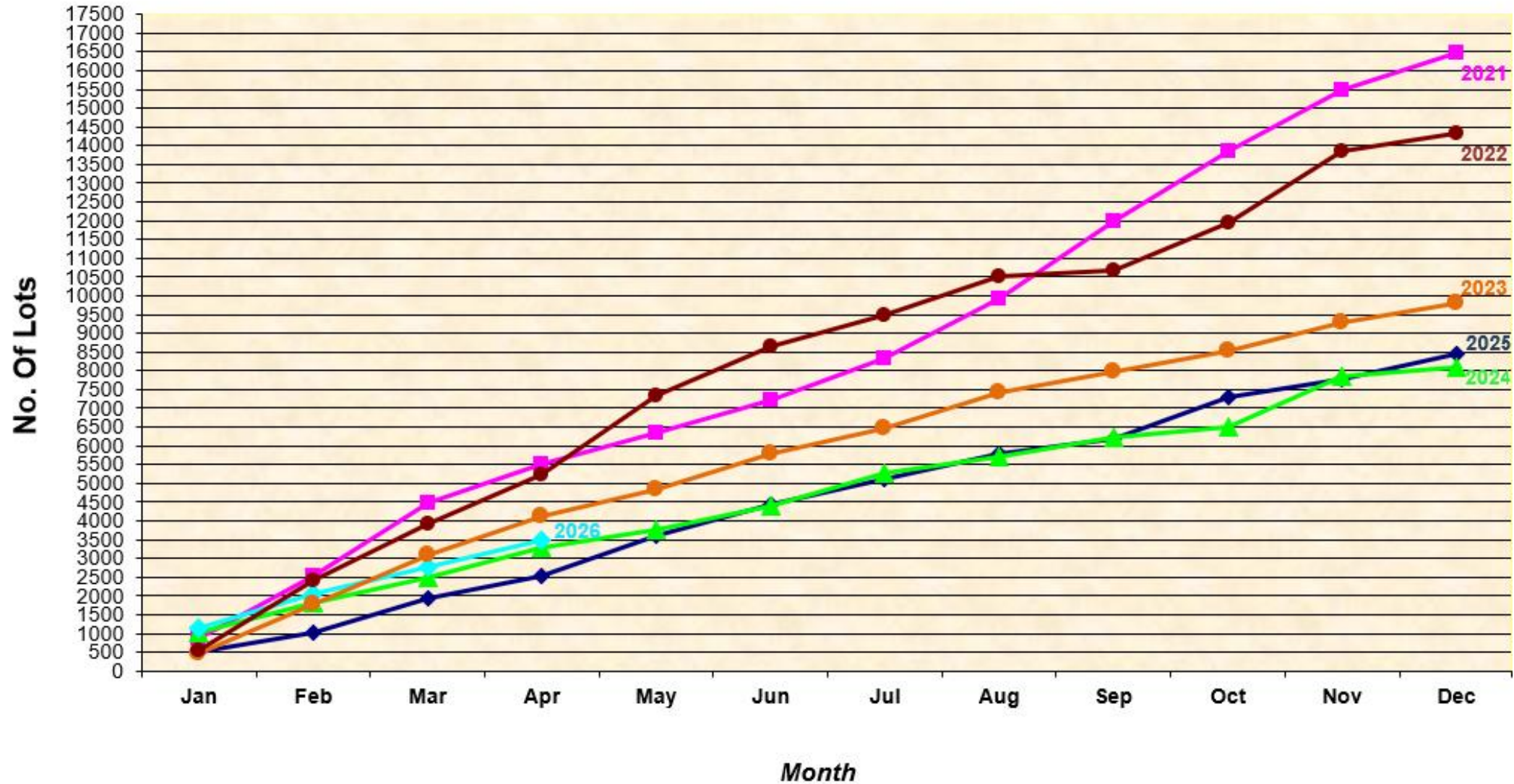
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Design application trends

Housing estate application trends - 2026

- 2026 lot application rates are **above 2025 Year to Date**, but trending along just slightly above to 2024 levels indicating stability year-on-year.
- Compared to the peak levels of the past three years, the trend continues to **ease**, suggesting a gradual normalisation.
- 2025 ranks **5th** in total URD applications across the last 27 years, placing it in the upper-middle range historically.
- **3494** lots have been applied for up to April 2026, which is about 37% increase on the **2,541** lots applied for during 2025 but similar YTD to 2024.
- The 10-year average annual lot application rate is **10,175** lots, while the 25-year long-term average for AusNet sits around **8,000** lots.

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HOUSING LOTS APPLIED FOR ON A PER MONTH BASIS

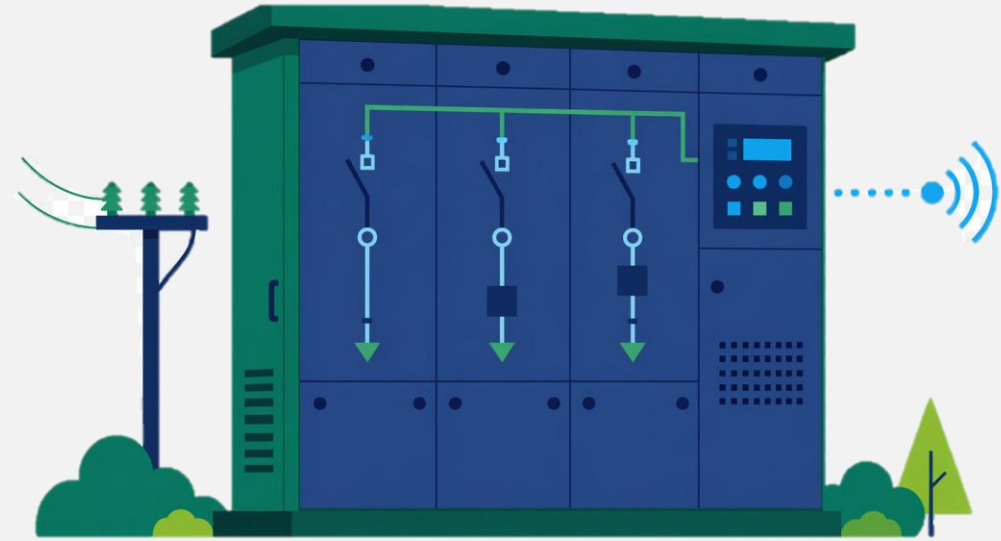


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Implementation of automatable switchgear in kiosk substations

Automatable Switchgear Update

- AusNet is actively working to automate the underground 22kV network.
- Currently a strong focus on automation inside housing estates and industrial subdivisions.
- Current practice is for developers to provide kiosks with motorized HV switchgear (only acceptable switchgear with motors at present is Schneider's RM6 range).
- AusNet will then add the controller and communications to the kiosk.
- All estate masterplans must be referred to AusNet's planning team to assess the best location for an automated kiosk.
- The intent is for an average of 1 in 10 kiosks to have the ability to be automated.
- Automation of IFT kiosks provides AusNet with the best operational flexibility.



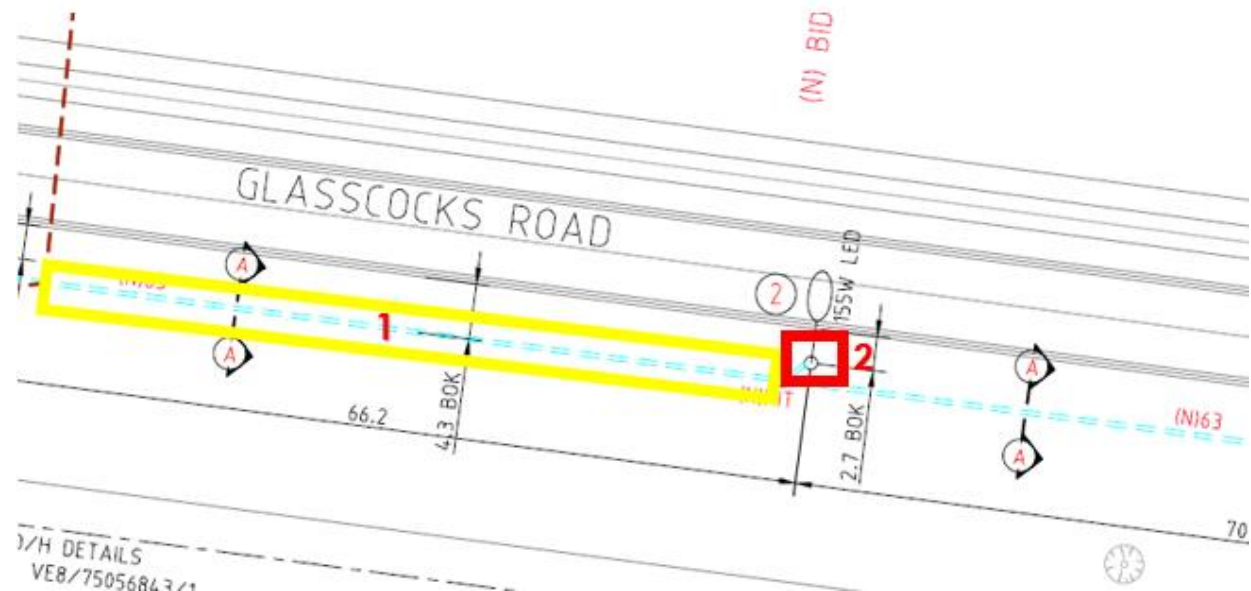
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Contestable Construction Tolerances Guideline

QMS 21-01-6 “Contestable Construction Tolerances” guideline has been released

- This document provides acceptable tolerances of deviations from designed locations, without seeking formal approval from AusNet Responsible Officers.
- All alterations still need to be documented and can be audited against at the discretion of Option 2 or Network Auditors.
- Tolerances are based off historical data and should remove ~60% of requests.
- Installed assets will still need to be accurately reflected on As-Built as per AusNet’s legislative obligation to accurately represent and report our network assets.

Variation No.	Variation from Design	Variation measurement (mm)	Reason
1	Conduit installed greater offset from BOK	+0.2m from BOK	Separation from Gas
2	PL Column chainage increased (Council approval attached)	+0.8m East of design	Tree Zone
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5			
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7			
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Open floor | Discussion

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What's happening in the industry?



Any pressing issues or concerns?



Any new trends emerging in your space?



What topics would you like us to focus on next?



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Thank you.

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