Standard Drawings
The final meeting of the Standard Drawing Working Group for 2018 was held at the IPWEAQ office in Albion with a good representation from the majority of the members. This group continues to make significant progress on addressing and closing out the relevant items identified for review.

A common issue that has been occurring on a more regular basis is access to the standard drawings is lost. The cause of this is generally the IP address of your organisation has been changed. As access to the standard drawings is linked to each organisation’s IP address, this needs to be updated. The solution is to send your new IP address to mark.lamont@ipweaq.com with a request to update our platform. To find your IP address, go to your search engine and type “what is my IP address” and your relevant details will be displayed.

One of the key points of discussion was development of a formal revision register to support the review of the standard drawings. This register will not only include changes to a drawing, but will also provide information on why the changes have been made. This will provide a more robust process for managing our drawings in the long term.

The group is investigating the benefits of developing standard drawings for Shared Path Basic Entrance to address the inconsistent approach to this topic across councils. Once approved, this will be added to the current drawings.

If you have any drawings you would like to see reviewed, please forward your comments with proposed solutions to Craig Moss by email: craig.moss@ipweaq.com

Street Planning and Design Manual
After a short hiatus over the Christmas period, the work on the Street Planning and Design Manual has ramped up quickly into what is shaping to be a very busy year with an anticipated launch in October 2019. It is encouraging to observe the continued high level of interest in this initiative from across our sector and also witness the proactive and passionate input from those directly involved in the committees and working groups.

One of the significant activities currently being undertaken is the development of the key guiding principles that will provide direction and structure to all of the subsequent work. Another important initiative is working to identify potential contested issues that will help prioritise work activities. To support this, a workshop involving key stakeholders and content matter experts from across the sector has been planned.

The ongoing support and commitment shown by the Department of State Development, Manufacturing, Infrastructure and Planning is a major factor in the successful development and implementation of the Street Planning and Design Manual. At the Steering Committee meeting held in early February 2019, it was reported that the Minister is aware of the initiative and acknowledges that the intent of the manual compliments the departments Model Code and aligns with the State Governments Cross Government Health Strategy.