## Worksheet 10



# STORM PREPARATION GUIDE

#### Preparation ]

### **Prepare yourself and your property**

As severe weather can occur at any time of the year, it is important to think ahead and prepare in advance. Things you can do to be prepared for severe weather include:

- Prepare an emergency kit, and have an emergency plan.
- Trim trees and branches, and clear garden debris.
- Check/secure roofing.
- Clean gutters and downpipes.
- Identify loose objects in your yard and on your deck or balcony that may need to be secured or put away.



#### During

#### When a storm or a cyclone is approaching, it is important to:

- Listen to your local radio or television station for official advice and warnings.
- Put valuables, medications, spare warm clothing etc. with your emergency kit.
- Shelter and secure pets and animals.
- Secure outdoor furniture and any other objects in your yard or on your deck or balcony.
- Park vehicles undercover or cover them with tarpaulins or blankets.
- Secure doors and windows and draw curtains.
- Disconnect any unneeded electrical items.
- Contact family to let them know you're safe and check on neighbours who may need help.

Council takes a number of preparedness measures, to ensure the City of Logan is ready for severe weather. This includes completing regular maintenance of vegetation near Council-owned paths and visitor areas. Council also carries out weed control and rubbish removal along waterways.

For more information on severe weather, including storms, cyclones and east coast lows, visit the **Bureau of Meteorology** website.

