

Infrastructure Policy 14

Townsite Street Trees

AMRShire Infrastructure Policy



This policy was adopted by Council to set governing principles in place that align the strategic direction of the organisation with community values and aspirations.

Objectives

To preserve and enhance street trees and shrubs within townsites in the Shire of Augusta Margaret River, including parks and reserves vested in the Shire.

To integrate future provision of landscaping with the existing natural vegetation to create an attractive landscape that preserve and protect the natural and constructed environment.

Policy

1. Clear, safe and reasonable access for both pedestrians and vehicular traffic shall be integral to all existing developed and developing street trees.
2. Practices to effectively control and properly manage the trees, shrubs and plantings on footpaths and verges shall be adopted.
3. Shire staff shall provide an advisory service to property developers wishing to plant trees on verges so that their efforts are successful and suitable.
4. Only those street trees that are suitable to the aims of this policy shall be planted.
5. Practices and procedures shall be adopted to identify and validate the removal of street trees, and ensure suitable street trees are replaced in a suitable location within a suitable time frame.
6. Street trees shall not be planted beside constructed infrastructure without suitable barrier protection to the constructed infrastructure.
7. The Shire shall assess trees that impinge on public safety and built assets and remove if recommended.
8. The Shire shall not unnecessarily remove trees for the purposes of maintenance or newly constructed infrastructure

Application

Responsibility for the implementation of this policy rests with the Chief Executive Officer. The Policy is to be reviewed every three years.

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