# **TOWN OF GAWLER POLICY**



Policy Number:	7.13
Policy Name:	Street Trees - Removal
Classification	Public – Council Policy
Adopted:	28 July 2015
Frequency of Review:	Biennial
Last Review:	July 2015
Next Review Due:	July 2017
Responsible Officer(s):	Manager Infrastructure and Engineering Services
Policy and Code of Practice Manual File Ref:	CC10/2601
Council File Reference:	CR15/14024
Legislation Authority:	Development Act 1993
	Development Regulations 2008
Related Policies:	N/A
Related Procedures:	N/A

### 1. BACKGROUND

That it be a Policy of Council that in accordance with Regulated Tree Legislation

- 1.1 It be the endeavour of Council and its employees to retain as many street trees, as is reasonably possible within legislation and safety guidelines.
- 1.2 If the application proposes the removal of street trees which are unsuitable species i.e. prohibited under SA Water or SA Power networks regulations, the Manager Infrastructure and Engineering Services can authorise the trees to be removed.
- 1.3 If the application proposes the removal of street trees which are suitable species, but are diseased, dying, malformed or interfering with traffic safety at entranceways or intersections, the Manager Infrastructure and Engineering Services or Chief Executive Officer can authorise the trees to be removed.
- 1.4 If the application proposes the removal of street trees which are suitable species, but are considered worthy of retention, the Applicant shall be advised accordingly. At this time, the Applicant shall also be advised that the matter would be considered by Council if the Applicant so desired.

1.5 Trees that are removed shall be replaced with one or two new trees depending upon the individual circumstances that each application may dictate.

# 2. REVIEW AND EVALUATION

The effectiveness of this Policy will be reviewed on a biennial basis.

The Chief Executive Officer will report to Council on the outcome of the evaluation and if relevant make recommendations for amendments, alteration or substitution of a new Policy.

The Policy will not be altered or substituted so as to affect a process already commenced.

# 3. FURTHER INFORMATION

Further information about this Policy can be obtained by:-

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Appointment: Town Hall, 89 – 91 Murray Street, Gawler

Letter: PO Box 130, Gawler SA 5118

# 4. AVAILABILITY OF POLICY

The Policy is available for inspection during ordinary business hours at the Council principal office, Gawler Town Hall or Library Council Offices, 89 – 91 Murray Street, Gawler or is available on the Council website at <a href="https://www.gawler.sa.gov.au">www.gawler.sa.gov.au</a>.

A copy of this Policy will be provided to interested parties upon request, for a fee as contained in the Register of Fees and Charges.