



Randwick City
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Tree Policy

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Contact Officer:	Coordinator Tree Management Services
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Objective

To define the Council's position on all trees growing within the City of Randwick regardless of whether such trees are covered by clause 5.9 of the Randwick Local Environmental Plan (RLEP) and Part B5 of the Randwick Development Control Plan (DCP) and to provide for cost effective, efficient and consistent tree management strategies.

- a) All trees directly under the control of the Council shall be inspected and assessed by the Director City Services or that person's nominated representative. Approvals or denial of the requests shall be the decision of the abovementioned person.
- b) All trees not directly under the control of the Council shall be assessed by the Director City Services or that person's nominated representative in accordance with the provisions of the clause 5.9 of the Randwick Local Environmental Plan (RLEP) and Part B5 of the Randwick Development Control Plan (DCP).

Policy Statement

That the Council pursue a course of action consistent with the philosophy of "Greening the City of Randwick" using the guidelines espoused in the Tree Policy document to ensure:

- Adequate controls on new planting, maintenance, pruning, removals and replacement of all trees;
- Adequate protection for all Heritage trees;
- Minimal maintenance costs and nuisance to residents, by selection of species appropriate to each planting situation;
- All existing planting be maintained according to Randwick City Council's Tree Management Guidelines and the annually adopted Tree Management Program;
- Minimal risk of public liability action arising from Council owned trees;
- Continuity of programming for replacement of existing problem trees in addition to new planting;
- Education and involvement of the local community in order to heighten awareness of the reasons for specific tree related actions taken by the Council, to reduce vandalism on trees and to minimise the cost of tree management through resident participation in planting and establishment programs;
- Maintenance, replacement of existing trees and new plantings which are beyond the realm of Council's obligatory works may be considered subject to the works being deemed appropriate and subject to all costs and compensation for the loss of the asset being paid to Council where applicable;
- All requests and proposed actions relating to trees growing within the City of Randwick be assessed in the following way:

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