

Street Tree Management Policy

Objective

This policy and associated Guideline (City of Albany Street Trees) provides clear and effective direction for the management of street trees within the City of Albany to ensure they are maintained in a healthy state and minimise any adverse impacts of the trees on public safety.

Sustainable street tree management plays an integral role in reducing the City carbon footprint and providing a clean and green urban environment.

Policy Statement

To ensure that the City of Albany manages street trees in accordance to best practice guidelines to allow for their protection and preservation, whilst ensuring the public safety is not compromised.

Scope

The Street Tree Guideline provides the framework through which street trees will be maintained within the City of Albany and applies to Council, residents, builders and developers alike.

Legislative and Strategic Context

- *City of Albany Activities on Thoroughfares and Public Places and Trading Local Law 2011.*

Review Position and Date

This policy and procedure is to be reviewed by the document owner every two years.

Associated Documents

Strategies, procedures, references, guidelines or other documents that have a bearing on this policy and that may be useful reference material for users of this policy:

- City of Albany Street Tree Guidelines
- Australian Standard 4373-2007 'Pruning of Amenity Trees'
- [Code of Practice for Vegetation Worker Electrical Safety](#). This code details the requirements for vegetation control work carried out near the live conductors of overhead power lines and is to be read in conjunction with *Electricity Regulations 1947 Regulation 316A*.

Definitions

Key terms and acronyms used in the policy, and their definitions.

- **Street Tree** – is a tree or shrub that has been either planted or is naturally occurring within an urban road verge and is under the care and maintenance of the City of Albany

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