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BOUNDARY FENCE CONTRIBUTION POLICY – COUNCIL PROPERTIES

SCOPE

This Policy applies to all applications received by Council for Council assistance with the erection, repair or replacement of boundary fences adjoining a Council Property.

It does not apply to:

- a) The erection/repair/replacement of boundary fences abutting Crown land not occupied by Council or public reserves;
- b) Retaining walls and other structures intended by the landowner to support land or to extend the usefulness and enjoyment of private lands; or
- c) Boundary fences abutting roads or vehicular lanes, including adjacent nature strips.

PURPOSE

This policy sets out the principles to be applied for Council's financial contribution towards the erection/repair/replacement of boundary fencing to private land adjoining a Council Property.

POLICY STATEMENT

Contribution to Fencing of Land Adjoining a Council Property

A contribution equal to 50% of the total cost will be provided to the landowner for the erection/repair/replacement of boundary fencing to private land adjoining Council owned/occupied land subject to the aforementioned exclusions.

- An application for a contribution to fencing erection/repair/replacement is to be made to Council by the landowner on the Application Form.
- An approval of the works and extent of Council contribution is to be determined prior to the works commencing.

The landowner is responsible for obtaining any approvals pertaining to the erection/repair/replacement of the fence.

The fence construction is to be completed and any claim for a refund lodged within six (6) months of the date of approval by the General Manager or his delegate.

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Council reserve the right to seek a secondary quote for materials and labour for a standard fence as described below.

Standard of Boundary Fence

The Standard of boundary fence shall be:

- (a) Where a Council property adjoins residential property – then the standard shall be a timber paling fence or similar at 1,500mm* in height, erected in a tradesman like manner using new sturdy long life materials of acceptable visual presentation.
- (b) Where a Council property adjoins rural or undeveloped land, then the standard shall be a post and five strand appropriate wire construction, erected in a tradesman like manner using new materials.

***NB – All fence construction to be in accordance with statutory/ planning requirements**

Landholder's Option to Exceed Standard

Nothing shall prevent the erection by a landowner of a boundary fence to a greater standard subject to the Council's contribution not exceeding the otherwise payable where a fence is erected in accordance with the above standard boundary fence.

RELATED DOCUMENTS

- *Boundary Fences Act 1908*
- *Building Act 2016*
- Boundary Fence Contribution Application form (see attached)

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APPLICATION FORM							
APPLICANT NAME (OWNER)							
CONTACT DETAILS (Phone)							
EMAIL ADDRESS							
MAILING ADDRESS							
ADDRESS OF LAND TO BE FENCED							
PROPOSED FENCE	Height		Length				
DETAILS OF FENCE TYPE AND POSTS <i>(Attach Additional Information if Required)</i>							
DECLARATION (Applicant)							
<p>I hereby apply for a Council contribution for this fence. I understand this is subject to adherence to the Council's policy <i>Boundary Fence Contribution – Council Properties CP014 and Specification for such fences</i>. I will secure any necessary approvals, and the quotes are attached.</p> <p><i>(Please select <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> only one box below)</i></p>							
Signature						Date	
CERTIFICATION (Council Officer)							
Eligible for Contribution	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	Applicant Notified	Letter <input type="checkbox"/>	Email <input type="checkbox"/>	Date	
<p>I inspected the works and confirm that they have been completed in accordance with Council's policy <i>Boundary Fence Contribution – Council Properties CP014 and Specification</i> and recommend the following payment contribution.</p>							
Officer Name				Amount	\$	Inc GST	
Signature						Date	
APPROVAL (Office Use Only)							
Approved for Payment	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>					
Signature				Manager Asset Services	Date		

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