



WEDDIN SHIRE COUNCIL

POLICY NUMBER: 11.3.4

POLICY FOR MANAGEMENT OF STREET TREES

Adopted: 15 June 2017

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1. **Title:** Policy for Management of Street Trees

2. **Number:** Policy Number 11.3.4

3. **Purpose**

The purpose of this policy is to provide guidelines for planting of new trees and maintenance of existing trees within public streets and roads, with particular regard to power lines.

4. **Application**

The policy applies to all trees within public streets and roads, within the town of Grenfell and the villages of Bimbi, Caragabal, Greenethorpe and Quandialla.

5. **Associated Legislation and Other References**

Agreement with Central West County Council dated 26 July 1990.
Preferred species listing

6. **Policy**

- i) New trees (including replacements), which are to be planted beneath power lines, should be trees which, when fully grown, have heights less than 5 metres.
- ii) Where such trees are not available, the trees planted should be able to be directionally pruned and in all other aspects should be compatible with the requirements of trees placed beneath power lines.
- iii) Existing trees which are located beneath power lines shall be pruned by the electricity provider in order to maintain statutory clearances between the foliage and the conductors. Where, in the opinion of the electricity provider the tree is unsuitable for location beneath power lines, the tree shall be reported to Council for consideration of replacement.
- iv) Loppings shall be stacked on the footpath near the base of the tree for removal by Council unless otherwise agreed.
- v) Wherever possible, unsuitable trees which are less than two years old and are located beneath power lines shall be either removed or replaced as funds permit.
- vi) A tree shall be considered to be beneath power lines if, during its expected growth, it is likely to come within one metre of power line conductors unless the conductors are aerial bundled cables.

7. **Review and Amendment**

- This policy shall be reviewed by September 2021 and thereafter at four (4) yearly intervals, to ensure it meets all statutory requirements and the needs of Council.
- This policy may be amended or cancelled by Council at any time without prior notice or obligation.

8. **Adoption**

- This policy commences as from the date of adoption by Council, being 15 June 2017 and replaces any previous policy.

9. **History**

Version	Details
11.1.4	Adopted July 1990
11.3.1	Adopted 28 June 2008
11.3.2	Reviewed 18 June 2009 (unchanged)
11.3.3	Adopted 16 May 2013
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