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# **CONTROL OF PRIVATE WORKS ON STREET VERGES**

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### **Objective**

To effectively control the proper maintenance landscaping of trees, shrubs and plantings on footpaths and street verges and to provide clear pedestrian thoroughfare.

### **Policy**

1. No private works on, or under public places (Local Government Act 1995 Schedule 9.1 sec 8) such as retaining walls, trees, shrubs, landscaping or plantings or physical hard edged structures or rockeries to be placed within the footpath or verge area controlled by Council without the written approval of Council's Executive Manager of Infrastructure.
2. To protect underground services, applicants will be required to check with Council to prevent interference with underground services and allow access for maintenance.
3. Where trees, shrubs, plantings or landscaping are carried out within the footpath or nature strip of a proposed footpath construction a minimum of 2.0 metres wide and 2.5 metres high corridor be maintained for pedestrian traffic.
4. A clear area width of 1.5 metres behind kerb to remain free of landscaping for the movement of pedestrians.
5. To prevent obstruction to vision from vehicular and pedestrian traffic at an intersection, trees, shrubs, plantings and landscaping not to be closer than 15 metres from the building line of the intersecting street and no higher than 750mm from ground level.
6. Council reserves the right to remove any tree, shrub, planting or landscaping etc, deemed to present a safety problem and/or maintenance problem, and

