



KERB, GUTTER AND FOOTPATH CONTRIBUTION POLICY

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INTRODUCTION

This policy establishes Council's position with regard to funding new kerb, guttering and footpaths outside of Council's programmed capital works.

OBJECTIVES

To document the determination of kerb and guttering and footpath charges to adjacent landowners, in accordance with Section 217 of the Roads Act 1993.

To provide landowners with information on how Council will determine the construction of new kerb, guttering and footpaths not included in Council's asset management strategy.

SCOPE

This policy applies to all requests from landowners for the construction of kerb, guttering and footpaths which are not part of Council's strategic direction.

DEFINITIONS

Footpaths – are defined as the work constructed for the specific purpose of conveying pedestrian traffic (whether or not it may also be used by bicycle traffic).

Kerb and Guttering – is defined as the civil works necessary to contain and/or to convey stormwater runoff from the roadway to the stormwater system.

LEGISLATION

Section 217 – Roads Act 1993

RELATED DOCUMENTS

Council's Pedestrian Access Mobility Plan
Council's Disability Inclusion Action Plan
Council's Capital Works Program
Council's Asset Management Strategy and Plans
Council's Property Access and Nature Strips Policy
Relevant Australian Standards
Statewide Mutual - Best Practice Manual –Footpaths (Nature strips, medians and shared paths) – August 2019

POLICY STATEMENT

Footpaths

1. Construction of new footpaths will be in accordance with Council's Pedestrian Access Mobility Plan (PAMP), Council's Disability Inclusion Action Plan (DIAP) and Council's Asset Management Strategy and Plans (AMSP). Council will fully fund the construction of these identified assets.
2. Requests for construction of new footpaths outside of Council's PAMP, DIAP and AMSP shall only be undertaken following assessment by Council staff to evaluate that the new asset is required, designed to standard, addresses pedestrian and other user safety concerns and provides a structure that will perform well over its entire life.
3. If Council staff determine the construction of the footpath is feasible, the owners of land adjoining the public road will be liable to contribute half of the cost of its construction as per section 217 of the Roads Act 1993.
4. Council shall determine the lengths of footpath requiring landowner's contribution based on lengths as defined in the registered property plan for the subject allotment.
5. All new footpath infrastructure will be designed and constructed to Australian Standard AS1428 (Set) – Design for Access and Mobility Set.
6. All existing concrete driveways (or equivalent) will remain in place with the new footpath to meet it on either side. Where there is no concrete (or equivalent) driveway, Council will lay the concrete footpath through the driveway easement.
7. The new asset will be included in Council's Asset Management Plan and form part of Council's Integrated Planning and Reporting process to ensure the sustainability of the entire footpath network.

Kerb and Guttering

1. Council will fully fund the construction of new kerb and guttering via its levy for stormwater management.
2. The construction of new kerb and guttering will be in accordance with Council's Asset Management Strategy, Asset Management Plans and Capital Works Program.
3. All new kerb and guttering infrastructure will be designed and constructed to Australian Standard AS 2876-2000- Concrete Kerbs and Channels (Gutters) – Manually or Machine Placed.