

TREATMENT OR SEALING OF RURAL UNSEALED ROADS – ISOLATED STRIPS POLICY

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1 INTRODUCTION

On occasions, Council is requested to seal a strip of the road in front of a residence or dwelling. This is usually a request of the owner, or adjoining owners, for the purposes of reducing or removing the nuisance and potential health impacts of dust being blown off the road onto their property.

2 POLICY OBJECTIVE

This Policy aims to provide clarity on the use of bitumen seal or any other alternative treatment as a dust suppressant on Council's rural unsealed roads.

3 POLICY STATEMENT

Council will provide isolated strips of bitumen sealing or alternative treatment in accordance with the following conditions: -

- The requested works are only to be carried out on Council's rural unsealed roads that are classified as hierarchy 4, 5 or 6 under Council's adopted Road Hierarchy system.
- Council will prepare an itemised cost recovery quotation for the cost of treatment of an isolated strip. This quotation may or may not include earthworks necessary to prepare the surface. Acceptance of this quotation will form the basis of a "Private Works Agreement".
- The property owner is to pay the full cost of the quotation prior to work being undertaken under the "Private Works Agreement".
- The property owner is to contribute 100% towards the cost of the sealing of the isolated strip.
- The minimum length of an isolated strip is not less than 100 metres.
- The minimum width of an isolated strip is not less than 6.5 metres.
- The residence or dwelling in question must be located within 50 metres of the travel lane, measured from the outer edge of the travel lane.
- Council is responsible for the ongoing maintenance of the isolated bitumen sealed strip including shoulder grading in conjunction with routine maintenance grading of the road, as well as the cost for resealing the strip in accordance with Council's adopted policies.
- The property owner is responsible for the payment of any future ongoing maintenance costs if any alternative technology is chosen.
- Alternative treatment is the use of Council approved polymer by product or any other treatment to enhance the wearing course or supress dust. Roads may still not be trafficable during wet weather.