



## RICHMOND SHIRE COUNCIL NATURE STRIP (FOOTPATH) MOWING POLICY

<b>POLICY NUMBER:</b>	<b>085</b>
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<b>TIME PERIOD OF REVIEW:</b>	<b>3 Years</b>
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### 1. OBJECTIVE

To ensure clear direction that nature strips across the Shire of Richmond are well maintained. Council now requires residents and landowners to mow and maintain the nature strip adjacent to their house/land. This applies to private, commercial and industrial property.

### 2. SCOPE

The provisions of this policy apply to all council controlled grassed areas between yard boundaries and road edges.

### 3. RESPONSIBILITIES

Richmond Shire Council will mow and maintain nature strips in adjacent to any Council housing, infrastructure, parks and gardens. Council will not mow a grassed area within a private property.

Council will only mow and maintain the nature strip on a regular basis under the conditions listed in Item 4. Assistance.

Where there is an instance of an overgrown nature strip, Council will contact the landowners and direct them to tend to the nature strip as soon as possible and maintain it on a regular basis.

It is the responsibility of the residents of the land adjacent to the nature strip to maintain and mow them.

### 4. ASSISTANCE

Council may provide assistance with maintenance and mowing services to the nature strip adjacent to a residential house/land under certain circumstances if a written application is presented to Council to consider.

All applications should be mailed to PO Box 18, Richmond Q 4822 or emailed to [enquiries@richmond.qld.gov.au](mailto:enquiries@richmond.qld.gov.au).

Council will endeavour to notify the applicant within 24 hours that the application has been received, and then Council has fourteen (14) business days from the date of the application to approve or deny the request and notify the applicant.

When an application is received the Nature Strip Register in the Records Management System will need to be filled in.

When a request is received, confirmation from the Director of Community Services and Development is needed to confirm that the applicant is not an Aged Care Client. The request will then go to the Chief Executive Officer to be approved/denied.

A service request will need to be completed for Town Services to add the job to their ongoing job list.

### 5. RELATED DOCUMENTS

- Nature Strip Register

## **6. APPROVAL**

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Policy Authorised: Peter Bennett  
Chief Executive Officer