

VEHICLE CROSSOVERS

DIVISION	BUSINESS UNIT	RESPONSIBILITY AREA
Works and Services	Infrastructure	Roads

OBJECTIVE

To define the Council's requirements and financial obligations for the construction of vehicle crossovers in road reserves.

POLICY

1. Scope

This policy applies to the installation and modification of crossovers for properties within the Shire of Plantagenet. This policy shall be applied for decisions made pursuant to Shire of Plantagenet Delegations 5.1 and 5.1A.

2. Legislation

Local Government Act 1995, Section 3.54 – 'Reserves under control of local government'

Local Government (Uniform Local Provisions) Regulations 1996 as follows:

- a) Regulation 12 – 'Crossing from public thoroughfare to private land or private thoroughfare';
- b) Regulation 13 – 'Requirement to construct or repair crossing'; and
- c) Regulation 15 – 'Contribution to cost of crossing'.

Shire of Plantagenet Activities in Thoroughfares and Public Places and Trading Local Law 2008.

3. Definitions

Crossover Has the same meaning as 'crossing' as outlined in the Activities in Thoroughfares and Public Places and Trading Local Law 2008 and means a crossing giving access from a public thoroughfare to private land, or a private thoroughfare serving private land.

Standard crossover Pursuant to Regulation 15 (2) of the Local Government (Uniform Local Provisions) Regulations 1996, the Council defines a minimum standard crossover as follows:

- a) Urban – sealed: 3.0m wide (excluding splays), constructed in grey pre-mixed concrete.

- b) Urban – unsealed: 3.0m wide (excluding splays), constructed in gravel with a minimum thickness of 200mm.
- c) Rural – unsealed: 4.5m wide (excluding splays), constructed in gravel with a minimum thickness of 200mm.

4. Application of Policy

- 4.1 Property owners are required to complete and submit an Application for Approval to Construct a Vehicle Crossover for assessment before a crossover is constructed or modified. Construction may not commence until written permission has been granted by the Council.

Approval to construct a crossover is valid for a two-year period from the date it is issued. If construction of the crossover has not been commenced within this period, a new application must be submitted to the Council for consideration.

- 4.2 All crossovers must be constructed in accordance with the Council's Specification for the Construction of Vehicle Crossovers. Where a crossing adjoins a sealed road within a townsite, a sealed crossover must be constructed. In all other cases, a sealed or unsealed crossover is permitted.

- 4.3 Upon application from the property owner, the Council will contribute half the cost of a standard crossover to a maximum as set out in the Council's adopted fees and charges, provided that:

- a) The crossover is installed in accordance with the Council's specifications;
- b) The contribution relates only to the first crossover to service the property;
- c) Applications for any subsidies are received within 6 months of the completion of the crossover; and
- d) The Council contribution will not apply to properties where the conditions of subdivision or development approval have included the provision of appropriate crossovers.

- 4.4 Once constructed, crossovers are to be maintained at the expense of the property owner. The Council may issue a notice in writing pursuant to the Local Government (Uniform Local Provisions) Regulations 1996 to the owner or occupier of private land requiring the person to repair a crossing from a public thoroughfare to the land or a private thoroughfare serving the land.

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