

**General Policy**

**SEWER CONSTRUCTION – REPLACEMENT OF TREES POLICY**

**Intent** To establish a policy for a uniform approach in dealing with claims for compensation for the loss of trees and other flora resulting from construction of sewers.

**Scope** This policy applies to sewer construction works in the area of the Cairns Regional Council carried out or commissioned by Water and Waste.

**PROVISIONS**

In the event of compensation claims arising from the loss of trees and other flora which are required to be moved in order to construct sewerage works, Water and Waste's response be as follows:

- (i) A replacement tree of similar species is delivered to the householder by Water and Waste. Mature trees are replaced by saplings where possible.
- (ii) The householder is responsible for planting, watering and caring for the replacement tree.

**Policy Requirements**

1. That compensation for loss of trees and other flora as a result of sewer construction be enacted.
2. That this policy is to remain in force until otherwise determined by Council.

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**This Policy will remain in force until otherwise determined by Council.**

**General Manager Responsible for Review:            General Manager Water and Waste**

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