

City of Salisbury Values: Respectful, Accountable, Collaborative, Helpful Temporary Road Closures Policy

Approved by:	Council
Responsible Division:	City Infrastructure
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1. Introduction/Purpose

The City of Salisbury values of Respectful, Accountable, Collaborative, Helpful underpin everything that we do and this policy recognises that there are instances where temporary road closures may become necessary as part of a special event, or significant occasion.

Temporary Road closures are implemented for the prime purpose of enhancing road safety through the control of traffic. These closures have associated with them, specific times of operation and controls. They are generally implemented via Section 33 of the *Road Traffic Act 1961* or less commonly under the *Local Government Act 1999*. However, SA Police also have delegated powers for this purpose.

Temporary Road Closures have as their major purpose and objective the enhancement of road safety and the protection of vulnerable road users. This policy sets out the criteria for approving and funding such closures.

2. Scope

This policy covers all road closures of a temporary nature, introduced for specific purposes. It does not, however, include those closures of a permanent nature that are pursued under the *Roads Opening and Closing Act 1991*. Nor does it cover temporary road closures implemented as part of local area traffic management schemes, closures as part of road works or closures implemented in emergency situations.

3. Legislative Requirements and Corporate Policy Context

3.1 Acts

Road Traffic Act 1961 – Section 33 Local Government Act 1999 Roads Opening and Closing Act 1991

3.2 References

Australia Road Rules General Approval and Delegations issued by the Minister for Transport

4. Interpretation/Definitions

Significant community event – an event that is broadly held for the benefit of the general Community and where there is an expectation that substantial numbers of the community will participate in and/or attend.

5. Policy Statements

- 5.1 Council will support and fund Temporary Road Closures for the following events:
 - 5.1.1 Charity fund raising events

An event that is held for the express purpose of raising funds for charitable purposes and does not result in profit to the organisers.

5.1.2 Religious events

Celebrations associated with specific religious festivals such as Easter and Christmas.

5.1.3 Significant community events

Each request for support and funding will be considered on its merits.

Where requests for funding are approved, Council will meet the cost of providing traffic management, parking control, advertising, administration and co-ordination.

- 5.2 Other requests for Temporary Road Closures, generally for private purposes, may be approved subject to the following criteria, however Council will not meet any of the associated costs:
 - 5.2.1 These requests must be in writing to Council at least two months prior to the event to allow items to be placed before full council for approval as required by legislation;

- 5.2.2 The applicant guarantees to meet all costs associated with the process including traffic management and advertising; and
- 5.2.3 The applicant guarantees to meet any other requirements of the Council.
- 6. Related Policies and Procedures Not applicable.

7. Approval and Change History

Version	Approval Date	Approval By	Change
1	October 2005	Council	New Policy
2	July 2011	Council	Review
3	July 2015	Council	Review
4	July 2018	Council	Review
5	July 2019	Council	Review
6	November 2021	Council	Formatting changes

8. Availability

- 8.1 The Policy is available to be downloaded, free of charge, from Council's website <u>www.salisbury.sa.gov.au</u>
- 8.2 The Policy will be available for inspection without charge at the Civic Centre during ordinary business hours and a copy may be purchased at a fee as set annually by Council.

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9. Review

This Policy will be reviewed:

- The frequency dictated in legislation; or
- Earlier in the event of changes to legislation or related Policies and Procedures; or
- If deemed necessary by Council.

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