

#### **AGENDA**

## FOR TREE MANAGEMENT APPEALS SUB COMMITTEE MEETING TO BE HELD ON

# 13 SEPTEMBER 2021 AT CONCLUSION OF THE STRATEGIC PROPERTY DEVELOPMENT SUB COMMITTEE MEETING

# IN WITTBER AND DR RUBY DAVY ROOMS, SALISBURY COMMUNITY HUB, 34 CHURCH STREET, SALISBURY

**MEMBERS** Cr S Reardon (Chairman)

Mayor G Aldridge (ex officio)

Cr C Buchanan

Cr P Jensen (Deputy Chairman)

Cr S Ouk

**REQUIRED STAFF** Chief Executive Officer, Mr J Harry

General Manager City Infrastructure, Mr J Devine Team Leader Natural Assets, Mr C Johansen

Manager Governance, Mr R Deco

#### **APOLOGIES**

#### LEAVE OF ABSENCE

#### PRESENTATION OF MINUTES

Presentation of the Minutes of the Tree Management Appeals Sub Committee Meeting held on 09 August 2021.

#### **REPORTS**

IMASCI	(please note there are no forward reports as a result of a Council resolution to be listed at this time)	
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#### **OTHER BUSINESS**

#### **CLOSE**



# MINUTES OF TREE MANAGEMENT APPEALS SUB COMMITTEE MEETING HELD IN WITTBER AND DR RUBY DAVY ROOMS, SALISBURY COMMUNITY HUB, 34 CHURCH STREET, SALISBURY ON

#### **9 AUGUST 2021**

**MEMBERS PRESENT** Cr S Reardon (Chair)

Mayor G Aldridge (ex officio) Deputy Mayor, Cr C Buchanan Cr P Jensen (Deputy Chair)

Cr S Ouk

**OBSERVERS** Cr D Proleta

Cr M Blackmore

**STAFF** Chief Executive Officer, Mr J Harry

General Manager Business Excellence, Mr C Mansueto

General Manager Community Development, Ms A Pokoney-Cramey

Acting General Manager City Infrastructure, Mr D Roy Manager Community Health & Wellbeing, Ms V Haracic

Manager Governance, Mr R Deco

PA to Executive Office, Ms M Healy (Minutes)

The meeting commenced at 7.12pm

The Chairman welcomed the members, staff and the gallery to the meeting.

#### **APOLOGIES**

Nil.

#### LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Nil

#### PRESENTATION OF MINUTES

Moved Cr P Jensen Seconded Cr S Ouk

The Minutes of the Tree Management Appeals Sub Committee Meeting held on 12 July 2021, be taken as read and confirmed.

**CARRIED** 

#### REPORTS

#### TMASC1 Future Reports for the Tree Management Appeals Sub Committee

(please note there were no forward reports as a result of a Council resolution to be listed at this time)

#### TMASC2 Tree Removal Requests - Monthly Update

Mayor G Aldridge left the meeting at 7:12 pm. Mayor G Aldridge returned to the meeting at 7:17 pm.

Moved Cr C Buchanan Seconded Cr S Ouk

That Council:

1. Receives and notes the information.

**CARRIED** 

#### OTHER BUSINESS

#### TMASC-OB1 Tree Replacement Report Request

Moved Cr C Buchanan Seconded Cr P Jensen

#### That Council:

1. Approves that staff bring back a further report to TMAS or relevant committee introducing criteria that for every tree approved for removal Council identify a way of planting 10 appropriate trees in appropriate area, considering criteria and cost.

**CARRIED** 

#### **CLOSE**

The meeting closed at 7.25pm.

CHAIRMAN	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	 	 
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**INFORMATION** 

**ONLY** 

ITEM TMASC2

TREE MANAGEMENT APPEALS SUB COMMITTEE

**DATE** 13 September 2021

**HEADING** Tree Removal Requests - Monthly Update

**AUTHOR** Jamie Hosking, Team Leader Urban Built Assets, City

Infrastructure

**CITY PLAN LINKS** 1.1 Our City is attractive and well maintained

4.1 Members of our community receive an exceptional

experience when interacting with Council

SUMMARY This monthly report provides Members with updates on tree

removal requests received from residents.

#### RECOMMENDATION

#### **That Council:**

1. Notes the information in the report.

#### **ATTACHMENTS**

This document should be read in conjunction with the following attachments:

1. Tree Removal Requests July 2021

#### 1. BACKGROUND

1.1 At its meeting held on Tuesday, 27 April 2021 Council resolved that:

"That a standing report be established for every meeting of the Tree Management Appeals Sub Committee to inform Council of every application received for tree removal and the outcome of that request."

Resolution Number 0916/2021

1.2 Staff currently uploads a monthly tree removal request information table to the Elected Members Portal. This document has been adapted to provide further information and will now be reported to each meeting of the Tree Management Appeals Sub Committee.

#### 2. CONSULTATION / COMMUNICATION

- 2.1 Internal
  - 2.1.1 City Infrastructure Staff
- 2.2 External
  - 2.2.1 Various Residents

#### 3. REPORT

- 3.1 The attached table is a summary of requests for tree removals received and actioned by staff during the past month and has been provided on the Elected Member Portal for July 2021.
- 3.2 60 tree removal requests were received in July. Of these requests 43 were approved for removal; this included 12 significant or regulated trees approved though development applications. 17 applications were refused. Of the 17 refused applications, 5 are related to significant or regulated trees under the *Planning Development Infrastructure Act 2016*.
- 3.3 Tree removal requests often result in ongoing dialogue between the owner of the property and Council on the proposed tree removal and subsequent discussions around the species type and location of the new street tree.
- 3.4 It is important to note that through various annual programs Council plants over 2,000 trees each year. These programs include Street Tree Renewal Program, Infill Planting Program, Tree Screen Renewal Program, Reserve Upgrade Program, Feature Landscape Renewal Program, Greening Program, School Tree Planting Program, Major Projects and ad-hoc planting requests. Our Street Tree Renewal Program planted 996 trees in 2019/20 and it is expected that 1,392 will be planted in 2020/21.

#### 4. CONCLUSION / PROPOSAL

4.1 It is proposed that the information contained in the attachment be noted.

#### **CO-ORDINATION**

Officer: GMCI EXEC
Date: 01/09/2021 06/09/2021

MONTH: July 2021

## TREE REMOVAL REQUESTS

Assessed by Parks and Open Space Assets team on site and removed based on Councils Tree Removal Criteria adopted by Council April 2016

ADDRESS		DATE REFERENCE APP		APP/REF
Brahma Lodge	2 Suffolk Avenue - Lot 45 - New Dwelling -	5/07/21	DW 6783432	Approved @
	DA 21017077	a a inmina		Cost x 1
Burton	side 104 Springbank Blvd - Brookfield Avenue	14/07/21	CRM 372609	Refused
Gulfview Heights	23 Elliott Avenue - tree nearest drive	9/07/21	CRM 370695	Approved
Ingle Farm	3 Ailsa Avenue - New Dwelling - DA 361/2607/2020/1A - Amended Plan - tree now 1.943m from proposed drive - retain	5/07/21	DW 6778190	Refused
Ingle Farm	5 Nadine Crescent - Tree 1 - Lot 162 - Nadine Crescent - DA 21004959 (2 New Dwellings)	5/07/21	DW 6778647	Approved @ Cost x 1
Ingle Farm	4 Derrilin Road - Significant	9/07/21	ETF 290421	Approval Supported - Significant tree
Ingle Farm	8A Tarana Avenue - DA 21016906 - Amended Plan - tree now 2m from proposed drive (DA21003366 withdrawn)	12/07/21	DW 6794576	Refused
Ingle Farm	14 Nadine Crescent - 221 - 2nd drive	13/07/21	CRM 374399 DW 6775869	Approved @ Cost
Ingle Farm	5 Mark Court	19/07/21	CRM 371766	Approved x 1
Ingle Farm	4 Derrilin Road - Significant	23/07/21	ETF 290421	D/A Approved - Significant tree
Ingle Farm	3 Danum Avenue	30/07/21	CRM 375976	Approved
ingle Farm	8 Lara Street - Regulated	30/07/21	CRM 371128	Approval Supported - Regulated Tree
Mawson Lakes	16 Windermere Crescent	29/07/21	ETF 291666	Approved
Para Hills	25 Robert Court - 221 Application - 2nd drive	6/07/21	CRM 374046 / DW 6755509	Approved @ Cost
Para Hills	37 Sleep Road - Tree 1 - nearest drive	12/07/21	CRM 374606	Refused
Para Hills	37 Sleep Road - Tree 2 - furthest from drive	12/07/21	CRM 374606	Approved
Para Hills	19 Keith Street - tree removal required for SA Water to lay new water / sewer supply for new dwelling at rear	13/07/21	CRM 374272 DW 6764199	Approved @ Cost x 1
Para Hills	side 22 Lorna Road - Martindale Street	16/07/21	ETF 291415	Approved
Para Vista	22 Bentine Street	14/07/21	CRM 374192	Approved x 1
Parafield Gardens	98 Camelia Drive - Tree 3 - New Dwelling - DA 21009689	2/07/21	DW 6776869	Approved @ Cost
Parafield Gardens	98 Camelia Drive - Tree 4 - New Dwelling - DA 21009689	2/07/21	DW 6776869	Approved @ Cost

FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT COUNCIL'S PARKS AND OPEN SPACE ASSETS OFFICER - 8406 8403

## TREE REMOVAL REQUESTS

MONTH: July 2021

Assessed by Parks and Open Space Assets team on site and removed based on Councils Tree Removal Criteria adopted by Council April 2016

	ADDRESS	DATE	REFERENCE	APP/REF
Parafield Gardens	51 Lovelock Road	2/07/21	CRM 373274	Refused
Parafield Gardens	16 Mitchell Street - tree on corner - roadside of footpath	2/07/21	CRM 373030	Approved
Parafield Gardens	16 Mitchell Street - tree nearest drive at front - roadside of footpath	2/07/21	CRM 373030	Approved
Parafield Gardens	11 Joes Court	7/07/21	CRM 368090	Approved
Parafield Gardens	34 Carson Street - Regulated	2/07/21	CRM 372669	Refused - Regulated Tree
Parafield Gardens	41 Shepherdson Road - Regulated Tree - nearest drive	2/07/21	CRM 372644	Refused - Regulated
Parafield Gardens	41 Shepherdson Road - Regulated Tree - furthest from drive	2/07/21	CRM 372644	Refused - Regulated
Parafield Gardens	39 Shepherdson Road - Significant Tree nearest drive of no. 41	2/07/21	CRM 372644	Refused - Significant Tree
Parafield Gardens	4 Olive Court	12/07/21	CRM 373888	Refused
Parafield Gardens	14 Shorney Road - Regulated	23/07/21	CRM 362498	D/A Approved - Regulated Tree
Parafield Gardens	15 Watkin Street	16/07/21	CRM 374910	Approved x 1
Parafield Gardens	3 Tulip Court - 2 trees	28/07/21	CRM 374945	Refused x 2
Paralowie	12 Antonas Avenue	2/07/21	CRM 372863	Refused
Paralowie	6 The Pines Grove - Regulated Tree	14/07/21	CRM 373877	Approval Supported - Regulated Tree
Paralowie	21 Gabriella Drive	16/07/21	CRM 374279	Approved
Paralowie	6 The Pines Grove - Regulated	23/07/21	CRM 373877	D/A Approved - Regulated Tree
Paralowie	3 The Pines Grove	16/07/21	CRM 375312	Approved
Paralowie	66 Tintara Road - Regulated	30/07/21	CRM 375469	Approval Supported - Regulated Tree
Pooraka	Brian Goodall Reserve - rear Units 4,5&6 / 84 Royal Avenue - 6 trees	12/07/21	CRM 373406	Approved x 6
Pooraka	Quigley Reserve opp 26 Salzmann Drive	13/07/21	CRM 374015	Approved x 1
Pooraka	side 57 Montague Road - Trenton Terrace - Regulated x 1	21/07/21	CRM 374308	D/A Approved - Regulated Tree
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MONTH: July 2021

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adopted by Counc	ADDRESS	DATE	REFERENCE	APP/REF
Pooraka	Henderson Square Reserve	16/07/21	ETF 291695	Approved x 1
Salisbury	16 Beltana Street - Regulated - (TMASC4- 24/5/21)	6/07/21	CRM 364024 - DA 21018011	D/A Approved - Regulated Tree
Salisbury Downs	24 Rachael Road - Regulated	2/07/21	CRM 371305	Refused - Regulated
Salisbury Downs	Woodfield Drive Reserve rear 28 Woodfield Drive - Regulated	9/07/21	ETF 288247	Approval Supported - Regulated Tree
Salisbury Downs	187 Kings Road	9/07/21	CRM 372388	Refused
Salisbury Downs	Woodfield Drive Reserve - rear 28 Woodfield Drive - Regulated	23/07/21	ETF 288247	D/A Approved - Regulated Tree
Salisbury East	37 Smith Road - New Dwelling - DA 21016404	5/07/21	DW 6777795	Refused - newly planted tree will be transplanted 1.5m east
Salisbury East	7 Birch Avenue	2/07/21	CRM 373110	Refused
Salisbury East	9 Hawke Crescent - tree furthest from drive	2/07/21	CRM 372756	Approved x 1
Salisbury East	London Drive Reserve - opp 31 London Drive, rear 7/5 Agnes Court	7/07/21	CRM 367720	Approved x 1
Salisbury East	33 Hawke Crescent - 221 Application - 2nd driveway	2/07/21	CRM 370706 / DW 6627939	Approved @ Cost
Salisbury East	12 Benaud Avenue	14/07/21	ETF 291026	Approved
Salisbury Heights	48 Canterbury Drive - tree next to fence	13/07/21	CRM 373061	Approved x 1
Salisbury North	118 Bolivar Road - tree nearest letterbox	2/07/21	CRM 372733	Approved x 1
Salisbury North	44 Hume Street - tree nearest letterboxes front of units	2/07/21	CRM 372364	Approved x 1
Salisbury North	7 Whites Court - tree nearest corner	29/07/21	ETF 292005	Approved x 1
Salisbury Plain	124 Park Terrace - 5 trees	13/07/21	CRM 373542	Refused x 5

FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT COUNCIL'S PARKS AND OPEN SPACE ASSETS OFFICER - 8406 8403

ITEM TMASC3

TREE MANAGEMENT APPEALS SUB COMMITTEE

**DATE** 13 September 2021

**HEADING** Review of Tree Removal Request - 3 Tulip Court Parafield

Gardens

**AUTHOR** Jamie Hosking, Team Leader Urban Built Assets, City

Infrastructure

**CITY PLAN LINKS** 1.1 Our City is attractive and well maintained

1.2 The health and wellbeing of our community is a priority

2.1 Salisbury has a balance of green spaces and natural

environments that support biodiversity

**SUMMARY** In line with the approved tree removal procedure several decisions

relating to the retention of trees have been appealed.

#### RECOMMENDATION

- 1. In accordance with delegated powers set out in the adopted Terms of Reference in relation to non-regulated/significant trees, the Tree Management Appeals Sub Committee approve:
  - a. Removal of 5 Eucalyptus trees in front of 3 Tulip Court Parafield Gardens
  - b. Pruning of overhanging side fence of 3 Tulip Court Parafield Gardens
  - c. that in line with the approved procedures, staff notify residents of appeal outcomes and organise any tree removal and replacement work

#### AND

#### That Council:

1. Approves Tulip Court, Parafield Gardens be considered for inclusion in the Streetscape Program for 2022/23.

#### **ATTACHMENTS**

There are no attachments to this report.

#### 1. BACKGROUND

- 1.1 In line with the approved tree removal procedure residents are able to appeal decisions relating to the retention of trees. This appeal process involves:
  - On-site meeting with residents and ward members
  - Report to TMAS
  - Notification of outcome to residents

#### 2. CONSULTATION / COMMUNICATION

- 2.1 Internal
  - 2.1.1 Staff
- 2.2 External
  - 2.2.1 Residents
  - 2.2.2 Ward Councillors in line with the adopted procedures

#### 3. REPORT

3.1 The following appeal has been lodged under the tree removal policy; the resident is seeking the removal of the trees.

Location	Suburb	Description
3 Tulip Court	Gardens	Review of retention of two Eucalyptus
		leucoxylon in front of the property

#### 4. 3 TULIP COURT

#### **Assessment**

- 4.1 Request for assessment of 2 trees in front of 3 Tulip Court was received 9 July 2021.
- 4.2 Assessment was undertaken on 13 July 2021, and identified;
  - 2 mature *Eucalyptus leucoxylon* present within the verge in front of the property and were assessed;
  - Tree 1 (nearest driveway) health-fair with fair density and foliage colour, structure-fair with no structural flaws, remedial pruning and canopy reduction works recommended.
  - Tree 2 health-fair with fair density and foliage colour, structure-fair with no structural flaws.
- 4.3 Resident identified that the existing Council footpath, which has been deviated around the tree has been placed on private property. A review of aerial photography and GIS data indicates that it is likely the footpath is on private property although this would need to be confirmed via survey.
- 4.4 The resident identified that he would like to install a new front fence which will partially sit on top of the existing footpath and impede pedestrian movements.

#### 4.5 When assessed against Council's tree removal criteria;

1	The tree is in an unsuitable location and is unreasonably obstructing approved infrastructure	No, noting that the footpath deviation around the tree is on private property and if a fence is installed pedestrian movement would be impeded.
2	The tree is inconsistent with the landscape style or character of the local area and/or does not contribute substantially to the landscape or streetscape	No
3	The spacing of trees planted on a standard width verge is inconsistent with the "Street Tree Planting Guide" for that species of tree, in accordance with the Streetscape Renewal Policy	No
4	The tree is diseased and has a short life expectancy or is dead and has no significant landscape or habitat value	No
5	The tree is structurally poor and/or poses an unacceptable risk to public or private safety and/or has a history of major limb failure	No
6	The trees roots are shown to be causing or threatening to cause damage exceeding two thousand dollars to adjacent infrastructure	No
7	The trees roots have resulted in damage to Council's kerb or footpath that has required replacement or substantial repair works on more than one occasion within a 5-year period	No, although there is a history of buildup of leaf and debris in the adjacent side entry pit, which has impact stormwater flows.
8	The tree is in the location of a first single driveway of a property	No
9	The tree is in the location of an approved Council development	No
10	The tree has been assessed for removal as part of the "Streetscape or Landscape Redevelopment Programme"	No
11	The tree, according to a medical specialist or GP, has been determined to be the cause of a detrimental effect on the health of a nearby resident. Such advice must be in writing	No

	Genuine hardship	
	a. The person/resident is receiving	
	HACC or a community care service	
	or;	
	b. The person/resident does not have the	
	functional ability to relieve the	
12	nuisance caused by the tree or;	No.
12	c. The person/resident is aged or frail	NO.
	and has moderate, severe or profound	
	disabilities which prevent them from	
	relieving the nuisance caused by the	
	tree; or	
	d. The person/resident is a carer of a	
	person that meets the above criteria.	

#### Appeal

- 4.6 Following receipt of appeal against the decision for retention an on-site meeting was arranged with the resident and ward member Cr Grenfell. This occurred on 11 August 2021.
- 4.7 Discussion reinforced the outcome for the tree assessment and justification for retention based on the heath and structure of the trees.
- 4.8 It was noted that the footpath was likely to exist on private property and would be impeded by the installation of a boundary fence. The footpath can't be realigned closer to the tree without significantly impact.
- 4.9 A number of other issues were raised in relation to the group of trees in front of the property and along the side boundary. It was agreed that several trees would be removed from the front of the property and pruning undertaken on the trees to the side boundary.
- 4.10 There was also a desire to see a compliant footpath installed and for the street to be considered for improvement through the Streetscape Program.

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Pruning to trees overhanging side fence line.

#### 5. CONCLUSION / PROPOSAL

- 5.1 In accordance with the approved tree removal procedure, the decision relating to the retention of trees has been appealed.
- 5.2 A site meeting has been completed and recommendations were made regarding tree removals. Noting the footpath will be addressed when the resident proceeds with the installation of a front fence and will be further reviewed through the inclusion of the street in the Streetscape Program 2022/23.

#### **CO-ORDINATION**

Officer: GMCI EXEC
Date: 02/09/2021 06/09/2021

ITEM TMASC4

TREE MANAGEMENT APPEALS SUB COMMITTEE

**DATE** 13 September 2021

**HEADING** Tree Replacement Report Request

**AUTHOR** Jamie Hosking, Team Leader Urban Built Assets, City

Infrastructure

**CITY PLAN LINKS** 2.3 Our community, environment and infrastructure are adaptive

to a changing climate

**SUMMARY** To provide an update on the resolution related to increase tree

plantings for significant and regulated trees removed through

community requests.

#### RECOMMENDATION

#### That Council:

- 1. Notes the expected cost increase to the annual street tree planting program and associated cost resulting from the change to the policy requiring 10 new trees per significant or regulated tree removal.
- 2. Endorses that no changes be made to the current policy as it already makes provision for the replacement of significant and regulated trees in line with the *Planning Development* and *Infrastructure Act 2016*.

#### **ATTACHMENTS**

There are no attachments to this report.

#### 1. BACKGROUND

1.1 At its meeting held on Monday, 23 August 2021 Council resolved:

"That staff bring back a further report to Tree Management Appeals Sub Committee or relevant committee outlining the implications of a policy change that would see 10 trees being planted in appropriate areas for every significant or regulated Council tree approved for removal as a result of a community request."

Resolution Number 1081/2021

#### 2. CONSULTATION / COMMUNICATION

- 2.1 Internal
  - 2.1.1 Infrastructure Delivery
- 2.2 External
  - 2.2.1 Nil

#### 3. REPORT

- 3.1 Each month Council receives approximately 90 request for tree removals from the community. Of these requests approximately 60 are supported for removal. This includes approximately 16 significant or regulated trees each month.
- 3.2 To accommodate 10 trees to be planted for every significant tree and regulated tree removed would require an additional 1,900 trees per year at a cost of \$672,000 (assumed \$350 per tree).
- 3.3 The City of Salisbury manages 80,000 street trees across the city. To ensure that streets are tree lined and address strategic priorities each year different programs renew, replace and fill in gaps within the streets.
- 3.4 Through the current Street Tree Program, approximately 1,400 trees are planted each year. To accommodate the increase would require a doubling of the current program.
- 3.5 Within the *Planning Development and Infrastructure Act 2016* (the PDI Act), there are provisions for 2 trees to be planted for every regulated tree removed and 3 for significant trees. Where significant or regulated trees are approved for removal appropriate replacement trees are provided in line with the PDI Act and funded through existing programs.

#### 4. CONCLUSION / PROPOSAL

4.1 A change to the current policy isn't required as the *Planning Development and Infrastructure Act 2016* already makes provision for increased tree planting for each significant or regulated tree removed, which is undertaken through the existing programs.

#### **CO-ORDINATION**

Officer: GMCI EXEC
Date: 02/09/2021 06/09/2021

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