



9. WORKS AND SERVICES POLICIES

9.1 TECHNICAL SERVICES

9.1.7 Bitumen Sealing or Road Improvement Works on a Joint Basis

Policy Measures

At Council's absolute discretion, Council may agree to fund 50% of the upgrading cost of infrastructure, at the request of a landowner, other than where the works are for the benefit of a private business, or required by an approval to develop land. As a general rule, the 50% Council contribution is intended to be used for the sealing of gravel roads adjacent to a residence, for the purpose of dust suppression. However, Council may consider other requests for infrastructure upgrade.

Prior to Council considering a request for a contribution towards the development of infrastructure, officers will estimate the cost to construct the requested infrastructure to current design and construction standards. Based on the estimated price, the required contribution will be confirmed with the applicant, prior to Council considering the request.

Council's contribution towards infrastructure upgrade will be capped at a maximum of 50% of a project cost, a maximum of \$15,000 per project and a maximum of \$15,000 per annual budget. Where multiple requests are received, and agreed to by Council, the order of funding will be in chronological order based on the date of receipt of each formal request. Where the number of projects agreed exceed Council's annual contribution, projects will be carried from year to year, in order, to be completed in subsequent years, providing Council determines to allocate funds to its 50/50 construction account in the year.

Once infrastructure has been created, Council will undertake minor maintenance in accordance with normal maintenance regimes. However, Council will not fund renewal or replacement of infrastructure, constructed under this policy, unless the landowner is prepared to fund 50% of the renewal or replacement cost, and any cost that exceeds Council's maximum \$15,000 contribution. In the case that a landowner is not prepared to contribute to renewal or replacement of infrastructure created under this policy, Council will fund the removal. As an example, in the case of sealing a section of gravel road for the purpose of dust suppression, without contributions towards resealing, at the end of the life of the seal the road will be returned to gravel.

Administration

Responsibility for implementing this policy is delegated to the Manager Technical Services.

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