

PATH AND CROSSOVER POLICY

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POLICY OBJECTIVES

To provide guidance and direction to the City in the provision, renewal and maintenance of path and vehicle crossing assets.

POLICY SCOPE

This policy sets out the process by which paths are prioritised for either renewal or construction, the materials used for constructing crossovers and how costs for crossovers are allocated. This Policy applies to Elected Members of Council, to all employees and to all consultants engaged by the City.

POLICY STATEMENT

The City of Melville path network extends across the City with over 400 individual paths and an approximate area of 460,000m². It includes all paths alongside roads as well as those in parks. The purpose of these paths is to provide a commuter network to allow pedestrians, cyclists and others freedom to move around the City in a safe and controlled manner whilst being separated from motor vehicle traffic.

The City of Melville is committed to maintaining the current path network in a safe and sustainable manner. The City will actively upgrade and maintain a path network in an orderly manner based upon condition, usage rates and construction type to ensure that all paths across the City of Melville are maintained to an agreed minimum standard (as described below). The provision of new paths will be provided based upon a priority ranking and subject to available funding.

We will:

- Undertake regular network wide audits (including condition) of the path network to ensure an appropriate level of information is maintained.
- Construct new paths which comply with all relevant construction and safety standards, including signage and line marking as appropriate.
- Maintain paths to at least a Condition Level 3 standard, (as defined in the Infrastructure Asset Management Plan).
- New paths shall be at least 2.1m wide where possible and placed alongside the kerb where possible.
- Where possible, paths to be constructed to a width suitable for the predicted path traffic in areas adjacent to shopping centres and other areas in which path users congregate in large numbers.



- Paths will be constructed to current “Shared Path” requirements if recommended for inclusion in the Melville or Perth Bicycle Networks.
- A path programme detailing 5 year forward works, shall be maintained and reviewed prior to the annual budget considerations.
- Path maintenance, renewal and construction will be prioritised according to the following parameters:
 - Condition (for maintenance and renewal).
 - Path usage.
 - Vehicle numbers.
 - Assessment of conflict between path users and vehicles.
 - Function of path.
 - Road visibility, width and condition of verges.
 - Disability access and inclusion.
 - Cycle route planning.
 - Residential densities.
 - Requirements arising from other City strategies, e.g. Public Spaces.
- All vehicle crossing approaches to residential and commercial properties shall be concrete or brick paved, constructed in accordance with the standard specifications of the City.
- The costs of construction shall be as set by the Council and denoted in the Fees and Charges Manual.
- Costs for construction of first vehicle crossing to properties shall be as set out in the Local Government (Uniform Local Provisions) Regulations 1996, Regulation 15, i.e. one half cost of standard crossing to be paid by the City and the balance of the cost of the crossing to be paid by the applicant.
- The total cost of construction of a second or any subsequent vehicle crossing shall be borne by the applicant.

A subsidy for residential crossovers will be applicable when upgrading crossovers from bitumen to concrete; subject to it being the first crossover upgraded and that it is constructed to the City’s specification.

References that may be applicable to this Policy

Legislative Requirements:	N/A
Procedure, Process Maps, Work Instructions:	N/A
Other Plans, Frameworks, Documents Applicable to Policy:	Concrete Path Specification Crossover Specification
Delegated Authority No:	N/A

ORIGIN/AUTHORITY

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REVIEWS

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