

Roadside Weed Spraying (No Spray Zones) Policy

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Objective

To enable property residents to opt out of roadside spraying in the area surrounding their property.

Policy Review

This Policy will be reviewed as deemed appropriate by the Chief Executive, but not less than once every three years.

Policy Statements

As part of its roadside weed-spraying programme, Council will maintain a No Spray Register to record those property owners or residents who specifically request us not to spray the area surrounding their property.

To be added to this register, property residents must agree to meet certain conditions regarding the alternative maintenance of their property frontage.

To ensure the spraying contractor can easily recognise the property frontage as a no spray zone, Council's weed spray contractor will install markers to indicate the beginning and end of the relevant frontage. The resident must ensure that these markers always remain clearly visible.

In joining the No Spray Register, the resident must agree to take over responsibility for:

- eradicating all noxious and undesirable plants;
- keeping the road frontage clear and tidy;
- keeping drainage paths free of obstruction and fully operational at all times;
- keeping vegetation cleared from around signs, posts and other street constructions where the mower cannot reasonably reach. A radius of one metre is appropriate in most cases; and
- ensuring that the no-spray markers remain clearly visible to the spraying contractor.

Council staff shall check with all residents on the No Spray Register at regular intervals (approximately three yearly) to confirm whether they wish to stay on the register and continue maintaining their property frontage.