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BACKGROUND:

New subdivisions are often initially provided with high quality verge treatments and Public Open Space for display and marketing purposes by the original developer.

PURPOSE:

To ensure an acceptable level of appearance is kept in areas which have been initially developed with high quality verge treatments and Public Open Space.

POLICY:

(1) Verges

The developers of subdivisions in the City of Cockburn be required to:

1. Maintain landscaping and irrigation systems installed within road reserves for the duration of the subdivision works, but not less than two (2) years.
2. Provide, at the time of purchase, written advice to individual buyers of subdivided land, that at conclusion of the subdivisional works, or two year period, the Council will:
 - (i) maintain landscaping and irrigation installed on road reserves where the landscaping and irrigation works do not immediately abut the boundary of adjacent privately owned lots, reserving the

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right to disconnect the irrigation and remove any vegetation considered unsuitable;

- (ii) **not** maintain landscaping and irrigation systems installed on road verges immediately abutting the boundaries of privately owned adjacent subdivisional lots. However, owners wishing to retain an irrigated service to the adjoining verge may have the service connected to their domestic verge at their own cost.
- (iii) discontinue the supply of irrigation water from Council's resources, to pipe-work and sprinklers installed on road verges abutting the boundaries of privately owned adjacent subdivisional lots; and
- (iv) at its discretion, maintain the landscaping and irrigation installed on road verges immediately abutting the side and rear boundaries of privately owned adjacent subdivisional lots.

(2) Public Open Space

The developers of residential subdivisions in the City of Cockburn be required to maintain the landscaping and reticulation systems installed on public open space for, a Two (2) year period following practical completion.