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POSITION STATEMENT CODE:	PSCS10
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BACKGROUND:

Since the installation of the Internet service at Spearwood Library in 1997 a position on its use has been maintained by Council.

PURPOSE:

Due to technological advances and the changing needs of the community, the City of Cockburn Public Library & Information Service is endeavouring to satisfy the informational, educational, recreational and cultural needs of the community by providing electronic access to relevant up to date information. Consequently, free access to the Internet is available to those users who agree to abide by the library's conditions.

POSITION:

City of Cockburn provides free access to the internet through its libraries' public computers and wifi. Consequently, free access to the Internet is available to those users who agree to abide by the library's usage guidelines. Access to the internet by children under the age of 16 is the responsibility of the child's parent or guardian.

Failure to comply may result in exclusion from the Library and its services. The Library has the right to direct any client engaged in unacceptable usage as specified in the usage guidelines to leave the Library and not to re-enter the Library for a specified period. Legal prosecution may result from a breach of these guidelines and unlawful conduct will be reported to the relevant authorities.

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The following Legislative Framework underpins the authority of the Library's Internet usage conditions -

- Classification (Publications, Films and Computer Games) Enforcement Act 1996 (WA)
- Copyright Act 1968
- Privacy and Personal Information Protection Act 1998
- Library Board of Western Australia Act 1951

While this position will endeavour to be implemented with consistency, due to the ever-changing nature of the Internet, all positions, rules and conditions are subject to change without notice and at the discretion of the Library Management.