
5.4 PARKS AND GARDENS

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OBJECTIVE

To provide a policy framework for the management of Council's recreation facilities, parks and gardens for the guidance of users and Council staff.

Most parks and gardens within its area are under the care and management of Coomalie Community Government Council, the Council also provides a range of sporting and recreational facilities such as Ovals.

POLICY STATEMENT

The policy should not be deemed as placing restrictions on the proposer, but as being a proper enabling instrument allowing the exchange of ideas and facilitating the fruition of agreed project proposals.

Where buildings are proposed, proper plans and drawings to be prepared and presented and Council approval sought by the proposer.

Where play equipment is proposed to be erected, it should comply with the relevant Australian Standards Association Standard - Playground Equipment for Park, School and Domestic Use.

The length of time the constructing club will maintain the project and indicate what cost the Council may expect to bear in relation to electricity, water, fertiliser and other costs.

Fees - Waiver

Waivers will not be made under normal circumstances as fees and charges for Council's recreation facilities are set at concessional, non-commercial rates.

Where special circumstances exist, a waiver of a portion of the fees and charges applicable will be the primary option chosen so that groups demonstrate a capacity for self help.

Memorial plaques

That Council designate the garden opposite 1 Naranga Street in Batchelor as a site for commemorative plaques for residents who have made a significant contribution to the Coomalie Area.

The plaques are to be 140mm x 110mm and Council permission must be obtained prior to the placement of a plaque.

Batchelor Market and Lingalonga Carnival Area

Council will not agree to one off hire of the Batchelor Market and Lingalonga carnival area on Sunday's or on the Saturday of the Picnic Day long weekend in August.

Ovals

Seasonal Allocations

Council's ovals are made available for sporting organisations to use for Wet Season or Dry Season competition and/or training, including pre-season training.

Wet Season 1 September to 31 March

Dry Season 1 March to 30 September

Obsolete Play Equipment

Council will not donate or sell obsolete playground equipment. Such equipment is to be destroyed upon removal.

Park Permits

Free permits to community information/public awareness, dramatic or musical performances, static displays will normally be permitted for up to one and a half hours between 11.00am and 2.00pm Monday - Saturday. Sound amplification will generally not be permitted.

Larger rallies and activities, not connected to commercial marketing, where the number of people expected to attend may impede easy pedestrian access and for which amplification may be required will normally be expected to be conducted at other venues.

Marches etc culminating in rallies will be subject to Police approval and to the rally termination not being at a time likely to disrupt normal business activity in the Batchelor or Adelaide River Township.

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Permits will be issued for rallies, protests and other public meetings in the Gardens, Bicentennial Park or the Ovals subject to normal permit conditions relating to litter, security etc.

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Permits for activities in Parks are subject to compliance with other public safety related by-laws e.g. no erection of signs etc.

Sun Smart

Council acknowledges the need to reduce exposure of the community to UV radiation and actively promotes the creation of shade in parks, reserves, streetscapes and other areas under Council control.

Tennis Courts

Council tennis courts will be available for casual day time use only as there is no lighting. Bookings are not necessary.