



# **LATE ITEMS INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEE MEETING**

## **AGENDA**

**19 SEPTEMBER 2017**

*Your attendance is required at a meeting of the Infrastructure Committee to be held in the Council Chambers, 232 Bolsover Street, Rockhampton on 19 September 2017 commencing at 12.30pm for transaction of the enclosed business.*

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**CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER**  
19 September 2017

Next Meeting Date: 14.11.17

**Please note:**

In accordance with the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, please be advised that all discussion held during the meeting is recorded for the purpose of verifying the minutes. This will include any discussion involving a Councillor, staff member or a member of the public.

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## 8 OFFICERS' REPORTS

### 8.6 GATES AND GRID POLICY

**File No:** 7171, 7028  
**Attachments:** Nil  
**Authorising Officer:** Peter Kofod - General Manager Regional Services  
**Author:** David Bremert - Manager Civil Operations

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#### SUMMARY

*Council has an existing Gate and Grid Local Law 1.16 which covers the installation, maintenance and removal of existing grids and gates. There is a need for a clear procedure to support the effective implementation of this policy This report seeks to outline a number of options available to include in the development of a policy and procedure to better manage Gates and Grids.*

*Council has received a petition from 30 petitioners regarding the installation of another gate on Sandy Creek Road, Bushley and allowing gates on dedicated roads that disadvantage residents.*

#### OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION

THAT Council:

1. Develop a policy and procedure for the management of Gates and Grids; and
2. Receives the petition regarding the installation of another gate on Sandy Creek Road, Bushley and allowing gates on dedicated roads that disadvantage residents.

#### COMMENTARY

Council currently managed Gate and Grids by a Local Law which was adopted in 2011. The object of the local law is to regulate the installation of gates and grids across public roads to ensure that they do not interfere with the safe movement of pedestrians and vehicles or the proper maintenance of the public road.

The local law requires

- (a) Installation and maintenance meets appropriate safety standards;
- (b) No unreasonable interference or disruption to the use of road occurs;
- (c) Appropriate indemnities are in place to protect Council and the public against loss or damage.

Currently no policy or documented procedure exists for grids and gates across the region. It is proposed to develop a simple and consistent process for the management of grids and gates on public roads.

#### Policy options to consider

- Should Council's preferred position be to discourage the use of grids and gates where possible?
- No new gates be placed across a road i.e. grid or fence options only.
- Phasing out existing gates over an agreed period
- Implement an annual inspection program
- Carry out an Annual inspection - Inspection fee

- Traffic Criteria – no gates on certain class of roads ,gates only permissible where traffic volume is less than 10 vehicles per day, and less than 50 for gates and grid applications 10 vehicles per day
- Consultation – A Public notice in local newspaper giving interested persons 28 days to lodge objections.
- Consultation – Direct consultation with landowners along road which it is proposed via written notification
- Provide a fencing subsidy

**Petition Received**

Council has received a petition from 30 petitioners, the nature of the petition as follows:

1. I use Sandy Creek Road, Bushley beyond Moonkan Park entrance and I object to Council allowing another gate to be erected at that location.
2. I object to Council allowing gates on dedicated roads that disadvantages residents who live beyond those gates.