

# Community Land Management Plan

## Golden Grove: Golden Grove Cemetery

### Description

Identity of land the subject of this plan:

Lot 91 in Filed Plan 207062, being the land contained in Certificate of Title 5585/762, bounded by One Tree Hill Road and Crouch Road. The attached plan identifies the location of the land, which comprises numerous headstones and memorials. Part of the site is grassed and irrigated and reserve furniture includes a park bench, signage and bins. A dolomite driveway provides access to the site via Crouch Road.

### Purpose

Council retains this land for the following purposes:

The Council is required by Section 7 of the Local Government Act 1999 to “provide services and facilities that benefit its area, its ratepayers and residents and visitors to its area, including amongst other things recreational facilities”.

This land is retained by Council to provide commemorative memorials in a parkland setting. There are traditional burial licenses still available on need only basis and interment of ashes in the rose garden.

Council will consider the land in regards to it being suitable for the purpose and may with its powers under Council’s By-Laws restrict or prevent activities that are considered to be inappropriate for the land..

### Objectives

Council’s objectives for managing this land are as follows:

For the life of this management plan the property will be retained in its current form. Council will ensure the landscape maintenance serves the needs of residents using this site.



## Management Proposal

These are the Council's proposals for managing this land:

The land comprises numerous headstones and memorials. Part of the site is grassed and irrigated and reserve furniture includes a parkbench, signage and a bin. A dolomite driveway provides access to the site via Crouch Road.. The following are proposed:-

### 1. Grassed area

The grassed areas are currently equipped to satisfy the needs of regular users. As required, controllers and sprinklers are replaced or repaired to maintain a service standard consistent with its existing use. The sites are regularly mowed and watering occurs in accordance with the Code of Practice for Irrigated Public Open Space as regulated by SA Water.

### 2. Reserve Furniture

Park bench, signage and bin are within the cemetery . This equipment is checked on a regular basis to establish that the fixtures and fittings are mechanically sound and suit their intended purpose. Painting and carpentry improvements will be carried out as required to ensure the robust nature of these fixtures.

### 3. Dolomite Driveway

The driveway is constructed from dolomite and traffic is managed with appropriate signage. Council will use various techniques for managing the pavement such as grades, sweeping and compaction.

### 4. Fencing

Existing fencing to road frontages is heritage style post and wire, with chain wire 1.8m fencing to internal boundary. Entrance statements and signage is located to road frontages.

Council has a regular maintenance schedule, which is reviewed prior to the setting of the Council's annual budget. The schedule provides for the Council's staff to attend to the upkeep of the land structures and equipment in a reasonable fashion, bearing in mind the requirement on Council to attend to the management of its other City wide assets.

Subject to compliance with the requirements of all relevant legislation the Council may, during the life of this management plan, develop the land by erecting buildings or structures which will enhance the use of the land as a recreation facility.

These policies may be viewed at the Council's office and at the Council's Library. Copies may be provided on request.

## Council Policies

The following Council policies also effect how the Council will manage this land:

- Asset Management Policy
- Cemeteries-Care & Control Policy
- Boundary Fence Management Policy
- Disability Discrimination Act Policy
- Environmental Policy
- Footways/Cycleways Policy
- Community Engagement (Public Consultation) Policy
- Risk Management Policy
- Smoke Free Policy
- Tree Management Policy

## Other Government Policies

The land is in the Extractive Industry Zone.

The Council's Development Plan governs what activities may occur on the land and how it may be developed during the life of the Plan.

The Council has adopted by-laws which effect and regulate activities on Council land:

- The Council's "Dogs" by-law
- The Council's "Roads" by-law
- The Council's "Local Government Land"

## Performance Appraisal

The Council will measure how it has managed the land in the following ways:

The Council regularly undertakes community consultation studies and surveys and will include a request that respondents comment on their views of and experiences in using the land. In addition the Council invites people to comment to the Council via its website, by post or facsimile, in person at the Council offices and by telephone.

The Council will record all complaints and compliments and attend to those requiring action. In addition complaints and compliments will be reported on annually at a meeting of the Council.

The Council has adopted a performance management system to record successful achievement of employee functions. Regular assessment and reporting of compliance with the Council's asset maintenance program is integral to this process.

As part of the horticultural management of the land the Council will carry out "random anonymous audits" to measure whether the Council is meeting its objectives expressed in its management schedule. The Council will review this Management Plan within 5 years of the date of its adoption and as appropriate amend maintenance as required. Asset Management tools are applied to predict the maintenance and replacement life to the dolomite driveway and paths. This information is used on an assessment of the performance of Council's maintenance practice.

## Development

Council has an existing management contract with Harrison Funerals, Golden Grove Road, Ridgehaven who manage day to day cemetery enquiries including license and burial arrangements with funeral directors and the public.

Council can, however, consider any future development on this site beyond the 2013/2014 financial year, in particular the removal and/or replacement of landscaping until the expiry of the Management Plan. Any development will be subject to future budget bids and consultation with the Community.

Adopted by the City of Tea Tree Gully at a meeting of the Council on the

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**Chief Executive Officer**

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**Review date**

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**Mayor**



Aerial Photography Taken February 2011