WAVERLEY

APPLICATION FOR **OFFSET TREE PLANTING**

Mature trees and especially trees with wide canopies contribute greatly to the look and appearance of Waverley's urban precincts. They add character to our streets and suburbs; provide much needed shade; habitat for wildlife and improve the value of properties.

Waverley Council recognises the high value of trees in the urban environment in their Strategic Asset Management Program and undertakes a program of replacement and renewal of public trees as they die or need replacing.

Trees on private property are under similar stresses with additional pressures from residential development.

To minimise the impact of tree loss on private land, a replacement and offset planting program is essential. This program helps balance the need for reasonable development and landowners' expectations against the loss of amenity and gradual attrition of tree canopy cover throughout Waverley.

The aims of the Offset Tree Planting program are:

- a) To preserve and enhance Waverley's tree canopy cover by encouraging the protection of existing trees and the replanting of new trees to minimise tree loss from senescence; disease; vandalism; storm damage and development.
- To ensure replacement trees are planted when trees over three (3) metres, are removed.
- To outline offset planting requirements when there is insufficient space to accommodate mature replacement trees on private property.

When trees on private land are approved for removal, it is a condition that they must be replaced with an equal amount of replacement trees of equivalent or larger canopy size when mature, and planted anywhere in the ground on the property, within one month of the tree(s)' removal.

However, if there is insufficient planting space on site to accommodate a mature tree of similar dimensions, the applicant will be asked to contribute to offset planting on public land.

Offset Planting on Public Land

If tree replacement is not possible on the applicant's property, the applicant is to enter into a deed of agreement with Council for the planting of a replacement tree/s on public land by Council's tree planting contractors. Public land is defined as parks, reserves and streets.

Council's location preference for tree planting is:

1. Street tree planting directly in front of the property.

If planting is not suitable in this location



2. Other locations in the street within 200 metres of the site and after consultation with resident

If no suitable sites



3. Parks and reserves.

Several parks and reserves have sufficient planting areas to accommodate new trees or have had trees recently removed due to poor health or senescence. Additional planting sites have also been identified to provide shade for playground areas.

Planting Requirements

All planting will conform to Council's Public Domain Technical Manual, Tree Management Policy, Street Tree Masterplan and any Parks Plans of Management including Play Space Strategy.

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Offset Planting Fees

The applicant will be charged an offset planting fee that includes the purchase, supply, planting and a 12-month maintenance program for the tree(s) as per Council's Pricing Policy, Fees and Charges.

Generally, for every tree removed, the replacement of a minimum of three (3) off-site trees will be required with pot size dependent on the canopy spread of the tree(s) to be removed as assessed by Council.

- \$436 per 45-litre tree for purchase, instalment and 12-month maintenance
- 75% discount for Pensioner Concession (Concession card, health benefit card or equivalent)

Applicant Details

TPO:	Offset Amount:				
Given Name/s:	Surname:				
Address:					
Email Address:	Phone:				
Applicant's Signature		Date	/	1	

How To Submit Your Application

Download this form to your computer as a PDF file and use Adobe Acrobat to complete the form.

E-mail: Email your PDF application form to: treemgt@waverley.nsw.gov.au

Mail: PO Box 9, Bondi Junction 1355

In person: At any of Council's Customer Service Centres:

Bondi Junction Customer Service Centre, 55 Spring St, Bondi Junction NSW 2022

Opening Hours: 9am - 5pm Monday to Friday

• Bondi Pavilion Customer Service (Welcome Centre), Queen Elizabeth Drive, Bondi Beach NSW 2026

Opening Hours: 10am - 4pm Monday to Sunday

If you need assistance, please contact our Customer Service team on (02) 9083-8000 or chat with us live at waverley.nsw.gov.au.

Payment Methods

Cash, EFTPOS, Cheque or Credit Card. (Please note, a 0.8% surcharge applies to credit card payments.)

Online: Please follow the payment instructions on your invoice At any of Council's Customer Service Centres, locations above. In person: Phone: (02) 9083-8000, Opening Hours: 9am - 5pm Monday to Friday

Mail: PO Box 9, Bondi Junction NSW 1355

Cheque or Money Order made payable to Waverley Council, please include a copy of this application.

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Cost Code: 01.31060.1184	Pathway Code: PKHCON	Logged By:		
Offset Fee:\$436.00		Date Paid:		
Concession rate - 75% discount against respective fee.		Amount:		
(Concession card, health benefit card or equivalent)		Receipt No.:		

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