Council Adopted Policy

CONSTRUCTION OF UNMADE ROAD RESERVES POLICY

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Responsible Officer</th>
<th>Manager Infrastructure &amp; Technical Services</th>
<th>Policy Number</th>
<th>741958 IT:1</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Date Approved:</td>
<td>8 October 2007</td>
<td>Council Resolution Number</td>
<td>276.2.3</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Previous Revision Date:</td>
<td>10/10/05 – 498.3.4</td>
<td>Date of Next Review</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

| Applicable Legislation | Local Government Act |

Policy Objective
To establish criteria for the expansion of Council’s existing road network in relation to unmade road reserves.

Introduction
This policy provides Council and its administration with principles and guidelines regarding the expansion of Council’s existing road network in relation to unmade road reserves. The policy will assist Council in determining the extent to which it will be involved in the survey and construction of new roads on existing unmade road reserves. The policy is particularly relevant where land parcels are sold off, creating “land locked” land holdings resulting in the need to construct access tracks along existing unmade road reserves.

Policy
- Council is not obliged to make a road.
- Council will provide the landowner with any relevant survey data and information that is currently held within Council’s records as requested.
- Any further survey work required by the landowner will be undertaken at the landowner’s expense.
- Council shall provide, where possible, information on alternative options available to landowners which will assist in rectifying an access situation. This may involve further survey work and/or construction details provided by Council at the request of the landowner and at the landowner’s expense. Council will may provide a cost estimate for any works to be undertaken and the landowner will be required to enter into a contract prior to any works commencing, if Council agrees to carry out the works.
- Where the construction of a new public road is unavoidable, the design of the road shall be submitted to Council for approval before the commencement of construction. No physical preparation work (e.g. site clearing, especially Native Vegetation)) or construction work shall take place before written approval is issued by Council for the construction of the road. The onus is also on the landowner to obtain all other necessary approvals such as development approval, Environment Protection Authority or Native Vegetation.
• Any works undertaken will be via an independent contractor under the direction of Council’s Works Manager (or his/her delegate). The selection of the contractor shall be made in accordance with Council’s Purchasing, Contracting and Tenders Policy.
• Council will not contribute financially towards the design and construction of any road unless it has specifically indicated its willingness to do so by resolution in the Chamber.
• This policy will be communicated to all staff involved in providing information related to development and to external agents involved in the sale of properties within the Council district.

**Post Implementation Action**
Electronic PDF version will be kept on the Rural City of Murray Bridge web site for public to view.

This policy will be reviewed on an annual basis in the month of May and at the first meeting of a Council following a periodic election. Council may revise or review this policy at any time.

Endorsed by Council on

---

**Revision 1 – 8/10/07**
3rd dot point in Policy – add words if Council agrees to carry out the works.