



Attachment 3 Current Policy Responsibilities and Grid Owner Statistics

Obligations of parties under existing legislative framework:

Under the existing framework, gates and grids are not owned by Council but remain the property of the landowners who have installed them under Council's permit process.

The obligations of each party under the current policy position is outlined below:

Table 1A: Responsibilities for new or replacement grids

Landowner Responsibilities	Council Responsibilities
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Complete application form with accompanying documentation and pay application fee (currently \$215) - lodgement documents to include providing a cost estimate for a rural fence installation to allow Council to assess if it should allow a grid. • Purchase grid & accompanying gate, install, seal the road 10 metres either side of the grid, install guideposts, signage/reflectors on the grid structure itself and hold public liability insurance in the amount (\$20M) with Council as an insured/interested party 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Assess the application • Inspect site for safety assessment • Reject or Approve the application (if approved - issue conditional permit) • Maintenance of the gravel surface prior to installation of a new grid • Inspect grid once structure is installed • Purchase and install advance grid warning signage

Table 1B: Responsibilities for maintaining grids

Landowner Responsibilities	Council Responsibilities
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 5 Business days-notice to Council before working on a grid (i.e. road maintenance / structure maintenance/repair, cleaning under structure) • Regular proactive inspections to be carried out by the landholder • Maintain and repair grid and signage/reflectors attached to the grid • Maintain area under the grid free from dirt/gravel and weeds • Maintain the gravel road for 10m either side of the grid (for gravel approaches only) • Payment of annual permit renewal fee (\$57 per annum for most grids) • Submit annually, a copy of current public liability insurance cover for the grid/s in the amount of \$20M 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Conduct annual compliance inspections • Administer the renewal of annual permits including ensuring copies of public liability insurance and renewal fees are received • Issue compliance notices / take enforcement action where grids require maintenance and/or repair or are installed without permits • Maintain and replace grid advance warning signage as required



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Table 1C: Responsibilities for replacing or removing grids at end of life

Landowner Responsibilities	Council Responsibilities
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Replace with a precast unit and install and insure at landowner cost • Removal of grids no longer required and restore the road to the appropriate Council standard • Cancel grid approval on change of ownership 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Remove abandoned grids at landowner's cost where the owner is known • Removal of unclaimed grids at Council cost where the owner is not known • Update Council records on change of ownership / cancellation of permit

Grid Statistic:

The current status of grids in the Region is as follows:

Statistic Type	Number
Number of Grids in public roads in the Region	325
Grids where ownership has been accepted by a landowner	283
Grids where ownership has not been accepted	42
Grids that Officers consider an owner has been identified but the owner has not claimed ownership	24
Grids where ownership is undetermined	18
Grid owners who have paid their grid renewal fee up to 19/11/2018	182
Grid owners who have not paid their grid renewal fees up to 19/11/2018 (this also includes those who have not provided evidence of public liability)	77
Owners who have claimed a grid since 30/6/2018 however the renewal has not yet been generated	11

Condition assessments have been completed on 212 grids. Based on these assessments it is assumed that 96% of the existing grids do not strictly meet Council's 2015 adopted standard of construction.