



POLICY NO. CP 2.4.27

POLICY STATEMENT: INSTALLATION AND REMOVAL OF TRAFFIC CALMING DEVICES

PURPOSE: To define the City’s primary responsibility in relation to road safety and define the circumstances in which Council may consider the installation or removal of traffic calming devices.

DEFINITION

For the purposes of this policy a traffic calming device means any engineering intervention designed to require motorists to reduce their speed and includes raised plateaus, chicanes, and roundabouts. Other traffic management tools such as signs, line marking, parking restrictions, intersection treatments and lighting are specifically excluded from the definition of a traffic calming device.

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1. Road Safety

- 1.1 The City’s primary responsibility in relation to road safety is to ensure that roads are designed, constructed and maintained to comply with Australian Standards.
- 1.2 The City acknowledges that roads can become unsafe when used irresponsibly and in a manner inconsistent with the Road Traffic Act.
- 1.3 The City has no legislative authority to enforce the Road Traffic Act.

2. Installation of Traffic Calming Devices

- 2.1 The City will only consider the installation of traffic calming devices following the completion of a detailed road safety assessment, including assessment using the City’s Traffic Warrant System.
- 2.2 When considering traffic calming, the City will endeavour to select the most cost effective solution to achieve the desired result.
- 2.3 When considering the installation of traffic calming, the City will consult with affected local residents prior to making a decision.
- 2.4 The type of traffic calming device will be determined by City staff based on community consultation and detailed road safety assessments.
- 2.5 The installation of traffic calming at any location requires the approval of Council. This approval must be granted specifically and cannot occur only through the adoption of the annual budget.

3. Removal of Traffic Calming Devices

- 3.1 Where traffic calming devices are installed, the City will undertake audits in the first two years following installation to determine whether the devices have achieved their intended objectives. The results of those audits will be provided to Elected Members.



- 3.2 When considering the removal of traffic calming, the City will consult with affected local residents prior to making a decision.
- 3.3 Where audits determine that traffic calming devices have not achieved their intended purpose, Council may decide to remove those devices.

GOVERNANCE REFERENCES

Statutory Compliance	Road Traffic Act 1974
Industry Compliance	Nil.
Organisational Compliance	Nil.
Process Links	Nil.

POLICY ADMINISTRATION

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