

Council Reserves and Parks

Policy Owner: Community Development

Distribution: All employees

Implementation: 1 July 1999

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Objective

To provide a variety of Public Open Spaces which fulfil the community's recreational and environmental needs.

Statement

Council's parks and reserves are categorised as follows:-

Dry Parks

Minor passive Public Open Space with an area of less than four hectares shall be developed and maintained as non-reticulated or dry parks. These parks may be reticulated if:-

1. in the opinion of the Manager - Infrastructure Management Services, environmental circumstances necessitate reticulation;
2. the cost associated with the establishment and maintenance of the reticulated area is not prohibitive or is not to be met solely by Council.
3. the works are to be undertaken in conjunction with a road verge and median upgrading program
4. the works are to be undertaken as part of an Urban Enhancement Project

Dry parks can be further defined as:-

Undeveloped

- areas of potential Public Open Space set aside during subdivisional planning.

Developed

- partly cleared of existing vegetation to enable passive recreation
- to be planted with couch grass stolons during the winter months
- parks may be provided with basic play equipment facilities and bollards to all boundaries.

Reticulated Parks**Passive**

- area of park can vary.
- design prepared by Landscape Services and approved by the Manager Infrastructure Management Services.

Active Minor

- area to be minimum 2.5 hectares and maximum 6 hectares;
- active oval and toilet/changeroom facilities to be provided;
- design to be prepared by Infrastructure Management Services and approved by Council.

Active Major

- area to exceed six hectares;
- toilet facilities to be provided with the option to extend if supported by club;
- design to be prepared by Infrastructure Management Services and approved by Council;
- areas within the Public Open Space may be retained without reticulation.

Conservation Reserves**Regional**

- bushland of regional significance which has significant environmental value and is used or appreciated by a wide section of Perth's population.

Local

- areas or indigenous vegetation retained for environmental and community needs.

Bushland Areas

- areas of vegetation retained in conjunction with active or passive Public Open Space.

Responsibility for Implementation

Manager, Infrastructure Management Services