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Tree Planting Program Events with Schools

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1. Purpose

To encourage the participation of schools within the Shoalhaven Local Government Area (LGA) in tree planting program events and in particular, the annual National Tree Day.

2. Statement

Council will continue to encourage the participation of school children in tree planting program events, which can provide educational and awareness benefits derived through the direct experience of restoring and revegetating degraded habitats in the local context. Council is best able to do this through tree planting program events held on land it manages.

An example of such an event is the National Tree Day.

3. **Provisions**

Council will collaborate with schools within the Shoalhaven LGA to encourage their participation in tree planting program events on Council managed lands. More specifically, Council will

- Cover all direct costs involved in revegetation, including the purchase of plants, stakes and guards.
- Provide coordination, support and technical advice to the schools participating in these tree planting program events.
- Provide educational resources to schools to increase the environmental awareness surrounding the roles of vegetation in the local landscape.
- Invite schools to participate in tree planting program events, with a particular emphasis on the National Tree Day.
- Endeavour to partner with Bushcare and Parkcare groups in planning and undertaking these events.

4. Implementation

The Environmental Services Department of the City Development Directorate will administer this Policy through environmental awareness programs.

5. Review

To be reviewed within one year of the election of a new Council.