

## Verge Policy – Verge Paving Guidelines

The underlying principle of the City's approach to managing verges is to encourage residents to:

- install and maintain soft landscaping which contributes to the aesthetic presentation of the streetscape
- Apply sound environmental consideration to verge development through utilising low water demand plantings of species indigenous to the local area
- minimise the use of impervious surfaces to encourage infiltration of ground water where it falls
- meet the community's requirements for safety and protect the City's obligations for duty of care.

Proposals for verge paving will be considered by the City of Subiaco:

- where there is a legitimate requirement for verge parking and there is no reasonable alternative, property owners can apply to pave a portion of the verge directly adjacent to their property
- the objective is to provide a balance between legitimate off street parking requirements, streetscape enhancement by landscaping and the onsite infiltration of storm water
- assessment will include a review of the property's ability to accommodate the onsite parking of two passenger vehicles
- where the installation of paving to the verge is likely to compromise the longevity of an existing street tree the application will not be supported
- where paving is proposed to provide a footpath between the property boundary and the kerb line, the path is to be 1.5 metres wide.



Figure 1: An example of suitable verge paving.

In order for verge paving proposals to be assessed, the property owner is required to submit an outline of their plan with a diagram that illustrates the proposed location, alignment, and the materials to be used.

Applications are to be sent to:

[city@subiaco.wa.gov.au](mailto:city@subiaco.wa.gov.au)

Attention: Parks

For further information, please refer to the City's Verge Policy Management Guidelines.

This information is available in alternative formats upon request.