



**CORANGAMITE
SHIRE**

Cattle Underpasses Policy

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Council Policy



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Purpose

The aim of this policy is to confirm Council's process for the proposed establishment and ongoing maintenance of cattle underpasses to individual properties.

Scope

This applies to cattle underpasses proposed to be constructed under local roads in Corangamite Shire.

Policy Detail

Council supports the construction of cattle underpasses as a means of improving road safety and limiting the damage resulting from the movement of cattle across its local roads.

All applications for Council approval to proposed cattle underpasses are to be directed to the Manager Assets Planning. The property owner will be responsible for obtaining all other approvals and/or permits required for the works.

Prior to construction, the proposed location and design of an underpass must be approved by the Manager Assets Planning. The structural design for the underpass is to have a certification from a suitably qualified engineer that it meets the appropriate Australian design standards. All underpasses must have a concrete floor and be capable of draining.

All costs directly and indirectly associated with the design and construction of the cattle underpasses will be the responsibility of the property owner.

Ongoing maintenance and repair of the underpass will be the responsibility of the property owner served by the underpass. Once the construction of the cattle underpass has been completed to Council's satisfaction, Council will take responsibility of the ongoing maintenance of the road formation and guardrail over the underpass.

In the event a cattle underpass becomes obsolete it will be the responsibility of the property owner to remove the underpass and reinstate the road to its original condition.

Prior to the construction, a written agreement is to be entered into between the property owner and the Council confirming the above responsibilities.

Human Rights

It is considered that this Policy does not impact negatively on any rights identified in the *Charter of Human Rights and Responsibilities Act (2006)*.

Review Date

March 2024