

<b>Title</b>	<b>ROADSIDE DIRECTIONAL SIGNS</b>
<b>Council Resolution</b>	Item 13 (15 March 2016) as per Council Minutes
<b>Responsible Directorate</b>	City Services & Infrastructure
<b>Due for Review</b>	14 March 2020
<b>Strategic Plan Reference</b>	3.1.3 Deliver services that create sustainable and liveable built environments.
<b>ECM</b>	Council Policies

## PURPOSE

This policy provides clarity and consistency when assessing external applications for the installation of roadside information signs and to ensure consistency with the 'Tasmanian Roadside Signs Manual'.

## SCOPE

This policy applies to:

- Requests from community organisations, churches, schools, etc. requesting the erection of directional signs.

## STATUTORY REQUIREMENTS

<b>Acts</b>	Not applicable
<b>Regulations</b>	Not applicable
<b>Australian/International Standards</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Australian Standard <i>AS1742.6 Manual of Uniform Traffic Control Devices Part 6: Service and Tourist Signs for Motorists</i></li> <li>• Department of State Growth's '<i>Tasmanian Roadside Signs Manual</i>'</li> </ul>

## DEFINITIONS

<b>Roadside Directional Sign</b>	The generic name for signs directing to commercial tourism facilities or natural, cultural or historic features.
<b>Community Facility</b>	A feature not necessarily related to travel, but which may be sought by significant number of strangers to a district.

## POLICY FOR INSTALLATION OF ROADSIDE DIRECTIONAL SIGNS

1. Roadside service information directional signs are only permitted to be erected to the following:
  - Recreational facilities (e.g. swimming pools, sports grounds and golf courses);
  - Public facilities (e.g. hospital, police/fire station, public library, municipal offices, waste disposal sites and education institutions); and
  - Community facilities (e.g. churches, religious institutions and major shopping centre precincts).
2. Enquiries or applications for Tourism directional signs must be directed to the Tourism Signs Consultant, Department of State Growth, for initial assessment/approval prior to making application to Council. Subsequent applications to Council will be assessed based on advice from the Department of State Growth.

3. Written applications for the erection of all roadside directional signs are to be made to Council and written Council approval is to be obtained, prior to erecting the sign.
4. Roadside directional signs, subject to approval from Council, will be erected by Council, at the applicant's cost.
5. The size and type of sign shall be as determined by Council and will be in accordance with Australian Standard AS 1742.
6. The cost of providing and maintaining the sign shall be met by the applicant/owner/operator.

## **BACKGROUND**

Council occasionally receives requests from community organisations, churches, schools, etc. requesting the erection of directional signs. As a general rule, if approved, Council will install the signs (which must be provided by the applicant) onto existing street furniture as near as practical to the requested location.

Where a new pole or similar mounting arrangement is required, this shall be at the applicant's cost.

The Department of State Growth has developed the 'Tasmanian Roadside Signs Manual' which provides guidance for local government authorities in achieving consistency in road side signage. The Manual contains information associated with all types of roadside signs including traffic control signs, guide signs, service information signs and tourism information signs.