Policy P207 Natural Areas

Responsible Business Unit/s	Parks and Environment
Responsible Officer	Manager Parks and Environment
Affected Business Unit/s	Parks and Environment, Engineering Services,

Policy Objectives

The objective of this policy is to ensure all natural areas within the City are appropriately protected and managed.

Policy Scope

The City has responsibility for the identification, maintenance, and enhancement of the majority of natural areas within the City. Other significant areas are privately owned and managed or in the care and control of State Government departments.

Policy Statement

The City recognises the importance of natural areas for their aesthetic appeal, biodiversity, habitat, educational, intrinsic, and recreational values.

The City will plan for, implement, and assist with the preservation, maintenance, and enhancement of natural areas. This includes:

* liaison with other tiers of government and private landholders to encourage the protection and suitable management of natural areas vested with them;
* allocating resources for maintenance and enhancement to improve biodiversity values in specified locations approved by council;
* providing recreational and interpretive facilities; and
* liaison with the local community to establish management priorities for natural areas.

Management of reserves will be in accordance with the City's adopted Green Plan and Environmental Management Plans for specific bushland, wetland, and foreshore areas.

Legislation / Local Law Requirements

Not Applicable

City of
South Perth

Other Relevant Policies / Key Documents

City of South Perth Strategic Community Plan 2021-2031

P205: Tree Preservation

P203: Groundwater Management

P692: Sustainability Policy