

1 Policy Statement

The Town of Gawler recognises stone kerbing as:

- A durable and long-life infrastructure asset
- An important contributor to the character and heritage of certain streets and precincts
- A higher-cost kerbing material option that should be used strategically

This Policy provides clear guidance for the planning, installation, renewal, maintenance, and use of stone kerbing within the Town of Gawler. The Policy aims to ensure that stone kerbs are applied consistently, safely, sustainably, and in a manner that reflects community expectations, heritage values, and whole-of-life asset management principles.

2 Scope

This Policy applies to:

- New road, footpath, and streetscape construction
- Renewal, replacement, or repair of existing kerbing
- Development works and capital projects delivered by or on behalf of the Town of Gawler
- Developers and contractors where kerbing is to be vested to the Town of Gawler

This Policy applies to all public roads and road reserves under the ownership, care and/or control of the Town of Gawler.

3 Legislation and References

This Policy is to be read in conjunction with the:

- Town of Gawler Strategic Asset Management Plan 2024
- Town of Gawler Asset Management Plan Transport 2024-2033
- Planning, Development and Infrastructure Act 2016

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4.1 Objectives

This Policy seeks to:

- Ensure public safety and accessibility within the road and footpath network,
- Support durable, high-quality streetscape outcomes,
- Protect and enhance heritage streetscapes,
- Promote sustainable and cost-effective asset management,
- Provide clear decision-making criteria for the use of stone kerbing over alternative materials.

4.2 When Stone Kerbing Will Be Used

Stone kerbing will be installed, retained or reinstated:

- Within the Church Hill State Heritage Area.
- When Council approves the use of stone kerbing as part of its kerb renewal program through the Annual Budget process.

4.3 When Alternative Kerbing Materials Will Be Used

Concrete or other approved kerbing materials will be used:

- In new development areas.
- For temporary repairs where immediate safety is required, noting that a decision regarding full renewal will be made by Council as part of its Annual Budget processes.
- When Council does not approve the use of stone kerbing as part of its kerb renewal program through the Annual Budget process.

4.4 Design and Construction Principles

Stone kerbing must:

- Be designed and installed in accordance with relevant Australian Standards and Council specifications
- Accommodate drainage performance and stormwater flows
- Integrate with footpaths, crossings, driveways and accessibility requirements

4.5 Maintenance and Asset Management

Council will:

- Manage stone kerbing as a long-life asset within its asset management framework
- Prioritise maintenance that prevents further deterioration
- Balance heritage outcomes with safety and financial sustainability
- Record stone kerbing assets accurately within Council's asset register.

Temporary or non-matching repairs should be minimised and only used where immediate safety is required.

4.6 Sustainability and Reuse of Stone Kerbing

Where stone kerbing is being renewed in situ, existing stone kerbs should be retained wherever practicable. Where stone kerbing is removed as part of renewal works and not reinstated in that location, the stone being removed will be salvaged and managed for future reuse

In managing stone kerbing, Council will:

- Maximise the retention and reuse of existing stone
- Salvage and store stone removed from streets that no longer require stone kerbing for reuse in streets or precincts where stone kerbing is to be reinstated
- Ensure reused or replacement stone is of a similar type, size, and finish to maintain kerbing heritage and streetscape character
- Prefer locally sourced stone where feasible
- Minimise waste and unnecessary removal of stone
- Consider whole-of-life environmental impacts in all decisions relating to stone kerbing

4.7 Works by Developers and External Parties

Where development works impact existing stone kerbing that is earmarked for retention by Council:

- The existing stone kerbing must be protected during the works
- Any damaged or removed stone must be reinstated to Council's satisfaction
- Council may require works to be undertaken by an approved contractor
- Bonding or inspection fees may apply

4.8 Delegation and Authority

Council delegates decisions regarding the use, retention, or replacement of stone kerbing to be made in accordance with this Policy to the Chief Executive Officer, where applicable.

5 Administrative Information

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