

10.13.Cleanliness of Kirribilli Village and Surrounds

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ATTACHMENTS: Nil

PURPOSE:

This report addresses a resolution of Council of 12 September, 2022 regarding the cleanliness in Kirribilli village and surrounding streets:

- 1. THAT this matter be delegated to the General Manager for investigation and where appropriate necessary action is taken.*
- 2. THAT if deemed necessary that a brief report be prepared for a Council Meeting.*

The report summarises the schedule for street cleaning services and other cleansing programs in Kirribilli.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

Council's street cleansing team provide consistent street cleaning schedules across the local government area (LGA) and are proactive in their response to requests and complaints. This report provides an overview of the street cleaning schedule for Kirribilli and other cleansing services provided that keep the village clean and tidy. Any changes to these schedules would impact on the provision of services to other areas of the LGA and have financial implications for Council.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

Costs for street cleaning are paid for out of the Open Space and Environmental Services Division budget. Any change in scope or frequency will impact this budget as more staff and plant equipment would be needed to facilitate any increase to services.

RECOMMENDATION:

- 1. THAT** the report be received.

LINK TO COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN

The relationship with the Community Strategic Plan is as follows:

1. Our Living Environment
- 1.3 Clean and green places

BACKGROUND

Council has a set schedule for street cleaning services across the LGA with extra services being directed to high traffic and priority areas and to respond to service requests and complaints. Council also manages existing programs for rodent management and public place bin enclosure cleaning across the LGA.

CONSULTATION REQUIREMENTS

Community engagement is not required.

DETAIL

Kirribilli is serviced by a number of schedules and programs that aim to keep it in a state of cleanliness. The road sweeper cleans the main streets of Kirribilli 7 days per week and attends to residential streets on a weekly basis. All mechanical sweeping of the main streets is carried out on the night shift or early 3am shift. Path sweepers attend all footpaths in the village area 7 days a week including Burton St Tunnel, Burton Plaza pop up and Bradfield Plaza. In addition, litter pickers roam all areas of Kirribilli for 4 hours per day during week days collecting litter off the ground.

Where possible, weekly cleaning by cleaning crews is conducted of hot spots such as Broughton and Willoughby St, Ennis Road and steps, as well as targeted cleaning of the London Plane, Brush Box and Jacaranda trees.

The street cleansing team have a quick response vehicle that responds to requests and complaints and carries out any extra tasks required. Requests and complaints are actioned immediately and resolved within three days of receiving the request.

This schedule, however, is entirely dependent on weather and staffing considerations such as annual leave, sick leave and other unplanned leave.

Council engages a contractor to undertake graffiti cleaning across the LGA. This contractor is responsible for removing reported graffiti and undertakes washing of the public place bin enclosures. This is carried out on a fortnightly basis for Councils 120L stainless steel bins and monthly basis for the dual enclosure 240L steel park bins.

There is a monthly rodent management program that includes Humphrey Place, between Crescent Place and Bligh Street. This has recently been expanded to include Kirribilli Plaza and Burton Street following requests and concerns around increasing rat issues. Council's pest contractor advised that rodent burrows were extending outside the Aloysius Primary School fence line boundary and as such Council's environmental health team have been asked to contact the school to address rodent issues on their property.

It is deemed that current street cleansing services in Kirribilli are sufficient for the needs and activities of the village. Any changes to the frequency of scheduled services or expansion of programs (rodent baiting and bin enclosure cleaning) will have a financial impact on the organisation as more staff, plant and equipment would be needed to maintain existing services in the rest of the LGA. Any change may also result in a decrease in services for other suburbs.