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'Submission: Draft WDCP - Private Property Tree Management' with the responses below. A full report of all survey submissions is available within the activity report. TRIM PEX2013/0007

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Do you support the proposed changes allowing trees within 3 metres of a building or structure to be removed without requiring approval?	Yes

Comments.

Most people enjoy having trees in their garden. However, when a tree becomes a nuisance or a danger to you or your neighbour then common sense should prevail and Council should not hinder removal of the tree by the owner. Threats would include bushfire threats and trees (and species of trees which are known to drop substantial branches) that are likely to fall onto a building or structure. Nuisances would include sewer and stormwater pipe blockages and damage to retaining walls. Consideration should also be given to trees that grossly affect solar access and views of private property. People should come before trees. This proposed change goes in the correct direction to address the current impractical, onerous and dangerous current tree preservation order rules.

Do you support the proposed changes to include a further 9 tree species to the list of trees that can be removed without approval? (see full list in library)
Yes

Comments

Do you support the proposed changes to increase the minimum height of a tree that requires approval to be removed, from 5 metres to 6 metres?
Yes

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Any other comments on the proposed changes? File Upload if required