

POLICY

Vandalism

VANDALISM INFORMATION REWARD

1 Introduction

Vandalism degrades the image, appearance, amenities and environment in our District. It impacts both the residents' and visitors' sense of safety, peace of mind and enjoyment of public facilities. It incurs needless remedial costs for the Council and property owners.

2 Policy Context

Vandalism of Council property is an ongoing issue and cost to the ratepayers.

3 Policy Objective

The objective of this policy is to offer a fixed reward of \$250 to the person(s) who report vandalism of Council property that results in the successful conviction or resolution of that vandalism.

4 Policy Statement

The Council operates a reward system based upon the successful conviction or resolution of vandalism to Council property with a fixed reward of \$250. Council elected members and staff are excluded from claiming a reward under this policy.

Note: The term "conviction" applied to people convicted in the Court system and the term "resolution" applied to people who may be dealt with under other programmes including young people too young to appear in Court.

5 Links to legislation, other policies and community outcomes

Crimes Amendment Act 2003, S269 Intentional damage

Community Outcome:

There is a safe environment for all

- Harm to people from natural and manmade hazards is minimised
- Crime, injury and harm from road crashes, gambling, alcohol abuse are minimised
- Our District is well served by emergency services and volunteers are encouraged.

The distinctive character of our takiwa – towns, villages and rural areas is maintained

- The centres of our towns are safe, convenient and attractive places to visit and do business.
- Our rural areas retain their amenity and character.

6 Adopted by and date

Adopted by Council on 6 August 2019.

7 Review

Review every six years or sooner on request.