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NATIVE SEED COLLECTION POLICY

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Strategic Plan link:
Sustainability
Promote sustainability, protect and cherish ecosystems, nature and cultural heritage; protect, sustain and manage our natural resources; waste reduction and recycling

References and related Policies, Procedures and Forms:
Local Government Act 1999
National Parks and Wildlife Act 1972 and Native Parks and Wildlife Regulations 2001
Environment Protection and Biodiversity Act 1999
Planning, Development and Infrastructure Act 2018
Landscape South Australia Act 2019
Environment Protection Act 1993
Crown Land Management Act 2009
Marine Parks Act 2007
Native Vegetation Act 1991
DCSB Tree Management Policy
DCSB Waste Management Policy
DCSB Risk Management Framework and Policy
DCSB – Roadside Vegetation Management Plan
DCSB-I-14.02 – Crossover, Road Verge and Driveway Policy

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1. Policy Objectives

The aim of this Policy is to promote and support landscape rehabilitation activities. including planting and revegetation activities using plants that have been collected from near the site in a similar environment.

The Policy is also consistent with Council's Roadside Vegetation Management Plan and meets the requirements of Section 221 of the Local Government Act where a person should not interfere or remove vegetation from a road unless authorised by a permit from Council to do so.

2. Scope

This Policy applies to all roads and land under the care and control of the District Council of Streaky Bay

3. Definitions

Plant	For the purpose of harvesting a plant includes flowers, seeds, fruits and any other part of the native vegetation.
Roadside (As defined in Council's Roadside Vegetation Management Plan)	Strip of land between the road formation and the boundary of the road which is usually the boundary fence of the adjoining property,
Road	Is a road as defined in the Local Government Act within and under the control of the Streaky Bay District Council but does not include a road under the control of the Department of Planning. Transport and Infrastructure.
Authorisation	A Permit issued for 12 calendar months from the date of Issue

4. Policy Statement

Upon request Council may issue a permit to collect plants from all roads and land under the control of Council.

No permit will be given to harvest native plant from roadsides of level 1 roads as defined in Councils Roadside Vegetation Management Plan.

Prior to collection of plant material, the permit holder must have a Native Plant Material Collection Permit issued by the Department of Environment and Water (DEW) and must comply with the DEW Native Plant Material Collection Policy.

Both permits must be carried by the collector whilst harvesting the plant material.

Care must be taken not to disturb the understory, tree hollows, nesting sites or any other part of the surrounding environment.

Plant is not to be collected from an isolated tree.

Plant is only to be collected from healthy trees that have the same species within 20 metres and where there are five or more trees of the same species spread at least 100 metres apart.

Only as much seed as is required is to be collected while keeping damage to vegetation to a minimum.

No more than 20% of the fruit is to be removed from any one tree unless the DEW permit states otherwise.

The harvesting of flowers from Native Plants is usually not permitted unless there are specific circumstances.

Precautions are to be taken to prevent the spread of weed seeds and pathogens from one area to another by vehicles and pedestrians and to minimise land damage. especially in wet conditions.

5. Permit Validation

The permit is valid for twelve (12) calendar months from the date the permit is issued.

6. Complaints

Complaints in relation to Native Plant Collection Permits can be made in writing to the General Manager Prosperity.

7. Review

This policy will be reviewed every 4 years and as necessary in consideration of any changes to legislation and relevant standards, codes and guidelines.

8. Delegations

The delegations for the issuing of the required permits shall be as per Council's delegation schedule.

The Chief Executive Officer has the delegation to approve, amend and review any procedures that shall be consistent with this Policy.

The Chief Executive Officer has the delegation to make any formatting, nomenclature or other minor changes to the Policy during the period of its currency.

9. Records Management

All records shall be kept and disposed of in accordance with Councils Records Management Policy & procedure and the current General Disposal Schedule.

10. Further Information and Policy Availability

This policy will be available for inspection at the Council offices listed below during ordinary business hours and available to be downloaded, free of charge, from Council's internet site: www.streakybay.sa.gov.au

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Copies will be provided to interested parties upon request. Email dcstreaky@streakybay.sa.gov.au

11. Document History

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