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### Street Tree Application

#### Street Tree Program

The street tree program aims to maintain and expand urban tree canopy in our residential areas. Street trees help make the area look established and feel more relaxed. They provide shade and shelter and help reduce summer water and electricity use by reducing direct sunlight on residences. They bring life to an area by providing feeding and nesting places for wildlife and can even improve property values. Through the Street Tree Program, trees are supplied and planted on the verge at no cost to residents; Council will supply and plant the trees. The trees(s) will require watering approximately twice a week within the first year, to ensure that they have the best chance to establish which residents will be recommended to do. To further assist the residents during establishment, a brochure with information on how to care for the tree(s) is provided once planting is completed.

Pruning and ongoing maintenance of the tree is the responsibility of Muswellbrook Shire Council, and any requests for maintenance of verge trees can be lodged on Council website https://muswellbrook.nsw.gov.au/

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Muswellbrook Shire Council takes requests for street trees year-round, however planting of the tree(s) only occurs in spring and autumn. There is a limited number of trees available each year. Your request will be added to a tree planting register which will be used in prioritising and evaluating requests. Tree species will be given individually after request has been received. This will be consistent with Muswellbrook Shire Council Preferred Species list. Residents will be given an option dependent on location of property.

Please Note: If you have received a letter promoting the street tree program and do not want a street tree please fill out the mandatory fields below and check the box 'No, I would not like a street tree'.

#### Street Tree Request / Decline Form

Property Owner Name *If more than one owner, please enter all owners' names.					
Primary Contact Number *Mobile or landline of primary owner for contacting.*If more than one owner, please enter all owners' names.					
Address *This is the address of the property where the tree's may or may not be planted.					
Would you like trees planted on your property verge?					
Yes, I would like tree (s) planted on the verge  No, I would not like tree(s) planted on the verge					

# Tree Selection Are you willing to water the tree(s) while they are establishing? (Twice a week during summer for the first year, and additionally if the tree is wilting) Yes No Are there any Power Lines on your verge? Yes No Enter the number of trees required in the fields below. The number of trees available per resident is guided by the length of your road frontage boundary (in metres) divided by 6 metres. 1. Tree Placement Do you have a preference for the planting location of the tree(s) on the verge? If yes, enter tree planting location

## Do you have a preference for the planting location of the tree(s) on the verge? If yes, enter tree planting location preference and/or any instructions for planting below, otherwise leave for Muswellbrook Shire Council to decide the best location. Describe location(s) looking in the direction of your house from the road. e.g. left, middle, right, next to left or right boundary, just left/right of driveway.

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