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Streetlight Glare Shields 2021

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Note: Any reference to Legislation will be updated in the Policy as required. See website <http://www.legislation.nsw.gov.au/> for current Acts, Regulations and Environmental Planning Instruments.



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1. Objectives

To address the concerns of residents when a street light glare problem is reported and determine the need for a streetlight shade (glare shield), taking into consideration the standard of lighting in the area, traffic safety, and pedestrian safety.

2. Scope

The Policy applies to streetlights located on Byron Shire Council local roads.

3. Statement

The aim of this policy is to provide a consistent approach to the review of customer requests for glare shields on existing streetlights as follows:

Where light from a streetlight is causing excessive nuisance to a resident, the resident can request installation of a glare shield.

Council will undertake investigation and administration functions associated with glare shield requests, the cost of which is charged to the resident and is in accordance with the fee shown in Council's Fees and Charges Schedule.

Before approving the use of a glare shield, Council will give proper consideration to the standard of lighting in the area, traffic and pedestrian safety, and any departures from Australian Standards that would result from the installation of a glare shield, and whether such departures are appropriate for the area.

Due to public safety standards, Council is not able to offer a glare shield treatment when the streetlight is located:

- at pedestrian crossing
- at intersections
- across the road or along the road from your residence
- at roundabouts
- at road bends
- adjacent to local area traffic management devices (i.e. traffic island).

The outcome of Council's investigation will ascertain whether a glare shield is available for the resident. Where the option is available, the cost of the installation is charged to the resident and is in accordance with the fee shown in Council's Fees and Charges Schedule.

4. Legislative and strategic context

The Streetlight Glare Shield Policy relates to Australian Standard *AS/NZS 1158 Lighting for roads and public spaces*.