
**7 SEWER PIPE DAMAGE - 16 KULGOA AVENUE, RYDE -
Councillor Jordan Lane, Councillor Sarkis Yedelian OAM**

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BACKGROUND:

The City of Ryde has previously planted trees on the public nature strip of Kulgoa Avenue, Ryde

I am aware of an instance, where the roots of one of those trees may have contributed to damaged plumbing on private property.

The necessary plumbing rectification works in this instance is significant, made all the more significant by the fact that the resident is a pensioner.

Given these trees were selected and planted by Council, this motion seeks to offer sensible, compassionate support and a considered review of current practice to avoid the risk of future liability.

MOTION:

- (a) That Council officers provide a report back to Council containing the following:-
 - (i) An investigation of the specific instance outlined above with a view to exploring what reasonable financial assistance Council might be able to offer the landowner;
 - (ii) Options for the relocation of the specific tree to a location free of underground utilities; and
 - (iii) A list of alternate species and locations of trees for future nature strip planting.
- (b) That with respect to Point's (a)(i) and (a)(ii) above, a report be brought back to Council on 26 November 2019.
- (c) That with respect to Point (a)(iii), a report be brought back to Council by June 2020.