



## Shire of West Arthur Council Policy – *Darkan Primary School Support*

Policy Number	C3.6 Community
Policy Title	Darkan Primary School Support
Related Legislation	Local Government Act 1995 (WA)
Strategic Outcome Supported	Outcome 1.2 - People of all ages have the support they require to live and participate in the community.
Adopted by Council	December 2013
Review	Annually

### 1. Objective

- Clearly identify the works the Shire will provide to the school.
- Outline a commitment to maintaining a positive relationship and regular communication with the Darkan Primary School (DPS).

### 2. Scope

This policy will apply to the provision of services to the Darkan Primary School and relationships with DPS staff and support groups in the Shire of West Arthur.

### 3. Definitions

DPS: Darkan Primary School

### 4. Policy Statement

#### 4.1 Commitment

The Shire of West Arthur acknowledges:

- that DPS is an integral part of the community and thus plays an important role in the social, economic and cultural life and composition of the West Arthur community

The Shire of West Arthur is committed to providing support to the DPS in the form of:

- use of machinery at no charge, where shire plant operators volunteer their time to operate the machinery
- provision of limited use of shire staff and machinery of up to 30 hours per annum to assist with minor non routine activities where the school does not have the in house resources to complete the task. Examples may be spraying the oval for weeds, spreading sand etc.
- provision of plant and staff at Shire “cost rates” for larger projects or regular routine activities (i.e. mowing oval).

Provision of staff and machinery is subject to the availability of resources.

Requests for financial assistance that fall outside of the CEO’s delegation for Community Financial Assistance will require a resolution of Council.

All requests for assistance to be authorised by the Principal of the DPS.

The Shire of West Arthur will maintain a positive relationship with the DPS by:

- providing a Shire councillor representative for School Council
- maintaining regular communication with the DPS Principal or representative to enable the Shire to stay abreast of current issues,
- supporting the DPS fostering opportunities to work with the community by forming partnerships with groups such as Tidy Towns, landcare, Kid's Central and seniors (intergenerational activities)
- Inviting the Principal and a parent representative to meet with the Shire Council at least once per year (May or June Council meeting where suitable).

## **5. Associated Documents**

Shire of West Arthur Corporate Business Plan