

Footpaths and Accesses

This brochure explains the respective responsibilities of Council and property owners for the provision and maintenance of footpaths and driveway accesses.

FOOTPATHS

Who is responsible to provide and maintain footpaths?

The Kingborough Council is responsible for the provision and maintenance of all footpaths in the Municipal area.

Council has an ongoing program that aims to:

- (i) Ensure that all residential streets have a sealed footpath on at least one side of the street; and
- (ii) Ensure that all important pedestrian routes to shops, schools and businesses have a sealed footpath on both sides of the road.

ACCESSES

Who is responsible to provide and maintain the access to your property?

The law states that property owners are responsible for the provision and maintenance of their driveway access including the vehicular crossing to the street.

It is important to note however that the crossing's design and construction must be in accordance with Council standards.

The only exception to the above is where Council constructs or reconstructs a Council road, in which case one normal crossing will be provided to each property free of charge.

Who can I get to construct the crossing?

It is recommended you engage a contractor to construct the crossing.

What is the procedure for constructing the crossing?

You are required to lodge an 'Application for a Permit to Carry Out Works Within a Council Road Reservation' with Council's Engineering Services Department. The application incurs a fee in accordance with Council's Fees and Charges Schedule. The permit contains conditions that must be followed and requires inspections to be undertaken at various stages of construction. Council will provide you with a crossing design and specifications.

Please note: It is illegal to construct a crossing without a permit from Council. Property owners with illegal crossings may be liable for prosecution.

For further information contact Customer Services on 6211 8200 or visit Council's Civic Centre at 15 Channel Highway, Kingston.