FUNCTION: ENGINEERING SERVICES

PROGRAM: Transport

ACTIVITY: Cane Sidings on Road Reserves under Council’s Control

RESPONSIBLE OFFICER: Shire Engineer

OBJECTIVE: To provide guidance to sugar industry personnel, on Council’s interpretation of ‘obstruction’ in terms of Regulation 54 (2) (c) of the Traffic Regulations 1962.** The policy differentiates between existing infrastructure and future infrastructure, which may result from new construction or modification of existing infrastructure.

BACKGROUND: Council has a duty of care to ensure transport activities, on road reserves under its control, occur in an orderly and safe manner.

The policy intent has been endorsed by CSR, Canegrowers Herbert River District and the Hinchinbrook Road Safety Advisory Committee, after extensive stakeholder consultation.

POLICY:- With reference to attached plan number 5414 it is the policy of Council that in the case of existing infrastructure, cane haulage and tipping activities be clear of the centre line of the road formation by 3m.

In the case of new or modified sidings, all activities will be required to be undertaken beyond the table drain of the road, and in any case no closer than 3m to the centre line of the road formation. Refer plan number 5414 for details.

Adopted 08/06/99

** Regulation 54 (2) (c) of the Traffic Regulations 1962:-

“The driver of a vehicle upon any road shall not park or stand such vehicle so that it will cause undue obstruction on the carriageway or undue delay to other vehicles”.

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