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Council Meeting



23 August 2021

Notice of Motion No.124

Vegetation and Landscape Compliance

I hereby give notice that it is my intention to move the following motion at the Council Meeting on 23 August 2021:

That Council receive a written report at a future Council or Strategic Planning Committee meeting that outlines:

- 1) Knox City Council's current policy and practice, along with the regulatory framework, for addressing illegal vegetation removal across the municipality;
- 2) Information outlining how community complaints regarding illegal vegetation removal are addressed;
- 3) Details of the number of customer complaints received during 2019/20 and 2020/21 and how many of these resulted in enforcement action;
- 4) How similar councils address illegal vegetation removal and any best practice approaches Council could implement to improve the service both within and outside of business hours.
- 5) Recommendations or advice to ensure that Knox's vegetation management service is well-supported through qualified officer resourcing; community education; and replacement and offset planting to meet identified best practices; and
- 6) Opportunities for advocacy to higher levels of government to strengthen vegetation protection policies more broadly.

Cr Jude Dwight Chandler Ward