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## Shared Cost Fencing Application Process

Whitehorse Council will contribute half the cost of the construction, replacement or repair of a standard fence that abuts a Council owned parkland in accordance with the Fences Act 1968.

Approval must be obtained prior to any repair or replacement of fences. Council will not consider any financial contribution after works have commenced.

Please note Council will not contribute to half the cost of fencing where the fence abuts:

- Land not in direct Council ownership or maintained under Council management
- Laneways, discontinued roads, walkways and other occupied spaces except where a walkway or road forms part of a recreation reserve.
- Drainage reservations
- Pool compliance fencing

### What is the process?

1. Contact Council to confirm your property is eligible for shared cost fencing.
2. Obtain quotes from two fencing contractors for works under the value of \$5000, three quotes for works in excess of \$5,000. Evidence of the contractors' public liability insurance cover to a minimum value of \$10 million is also required.
3. Quotes provided should clearly outline the height, length of the fence and Council's share of the cost.
4. Complete and submit 'Shared Cost Fencing Application Form' along with the quotations.
5. Council will contact you to confirm your application has been approved.
6. Arrange an appropriate construction date with your fencing contractor and notify Council.
7. When the fence is complete you should only pay your share of the cost to the contractor.
8. The fencing contractor will invoice Council directly for our share of the cost.

### Can I construct a different style/height fence?

The property owner will need to cover the additional cost of using an alternate fence material other than timber paling or a fence higher than the standard height of 1.65 metres. However, the quotation submitted to Council will need be for a standard height and material.

**Note:** Fences higher than 2 metres require a building permit.

### What if my property includes a gate?

Council does not support renewal of pedestrian or vehicle access gates in new or renewed boundary fences. According to Whitehorse City Council Community Law 2.1.1, a person must not, in a municipal place or on a road enter other than through an entrance provided for that purpose.

Note that every effort is made in attending to each application as promptly as possible. Please allow up to 25 business days to process and finalise your application.



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## Shared Cost Fencing Application Form

Property Address for Shared Cost Fencing:				
Property Address:				
Name of Adjoining Parkland:				
Fence Length:				
Applicant Details:				
Name:				
Postal Address:				
Telephone No (BH):				
Email Address:				
Fencing Quotations:				
<p><i>Quotations must clearly show the boundary where the cost will be shared by Council and the length, height and material of the proposed fence.            Public Liability Insurance (PLI) to the minimum value of \$10,000,000 is required for each contractor.</i></p>				
Contractor	Quote Total	Resident Share	Council Share	PLI Provided
Signature:				
I understand the terms and conditions of the Shared Cost Fencing process				
Applicant's signature:				
Date:	/ /			
Office Use Only – Fencing Quote Approval				
Request Number:				
Preferred Contractor:				
Officer Signature:				
Date:				

**Questions?** Contact the Parks & Natural Environment Department  
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