

19/01/2006
VC37

SCHEDULE 2 TO THE VEGETATION PROTECTION OVERLAY

Shown on the planning scheme map as VPO2

BURKE HILL SHRUBLAND

1.0

19/01/2006
VC37

Statement of nature and significance of vegetation to be protected

The open woodland located on the north-west slopes of Burke Hill is dominated by *Acacia melanoxylon*, *Acacia meansii*, *Cassinia* species and *Pultenaea daphnoides*. The site is of local significance due to its substantially intact ground flora. Further assessment is required to ascertain whether the site is of Regional significance.

The ability to maintain the biodiversity and durability of the site is dependent upon retaining and managing existing vegetation and the revegetation of areas disturbed by landfill activity.

2.0

19/01/2006
VC37

Vegetation protection objective to be achieved

To protect and enhance the substantially intact ground flora and durability of this site of local significance.

3.0

19/01/2006
VC37

Permit requirement

A permit is required to remove native vegetation.

An application to remove native vegetation must indicate:

- The total extent of vegetation on the property and the extent of native vegetation proposed to be cleared.
- The purpose of the proposed clearing and any proposals for revegetation, including proposed species, and ground stabilisation.
- A report by a suitable qualified person which describes the vegetation and habitat significance of the site, to the satisfaction of the responsible authority.

4.0

19/01/2006
VC37

Decision guidelines

Before deciding on an application, the responsible authority must consider:

- The effect of the proposed removal of native vegetation on the habitat value and long term viability of remnant grasslands in the vicinity.
- The significance of the native vegetation area.
- The reason for removing the vegetation and the practicality of alternative options which do not require removal of the native vegetation.