

STRATFORD DISTRICT COUNCIL

SECTION: ROADING	
<u>POLICY: THRUSTING OR TRENCHING ON ROAD RESERVE</u>	
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Council received a considerable number of applications from utility authorities, Government departments and property owners to lay pipes, conduits, etc. under road reserve.

Applicants will be encouraged to thrust under road, thus minimising damage to road surface.

This policy ensures that such are permitted subject to controls which protects not only the road user but also Council.

POLICY STATEMENT

That Council allow pipes, conduits, culverts, etc. to be placed under the road reserve subject to:

1. That the proposed trench shall remain at the pleasure of the Council.
2. All cables, pipes, conduits, etc. shall be thrust under the road unless approved otherwise by the Operations Manager.
3. That the proposed trench shall:
 - (a) if crossing the road be trenched across the shortest path.
 - (b) if traversing along the road, be as close as practicable to the road boundary.
 - (c) have a minimum depth of 900 mm and be as narrow as practicable to accept the cable, pipe etc.
4. That all trenches across roads shall be backfilled with 40 mm basecourse, compacted to the satisfaction of the Operations Manager and where the road is sealed, the top 75 mm to seal level shall be filled, compacted with plant-mix and finished with a two coat wet lock seal.
5. That all trenches traversing along the roads shall be backfilled and compacted to the satisfaction of the Operations Manager.
6. That all cables, pipes, etc. across the road shall be enclosed in a suitable carrier pipe.
7. That all costs for trenching, reinstatement and damage caused by the said cable, pipe etc. shall be met in full by the applicant.
8. That the applicant shall contact the local servicing authorities, eg. Telecom, Taranaki Energy, Natural Gas Corporation etc. to avoid damage to existing servicing facilities.
9. That the applicant shall give the Operations Manager notice of two working days before construction commences.