LANCASTER GATE – SIGNIFICANT VEGETATION

1.0 Statement of nature and significance of vegetation to be protected
The site contains significant exotic and indigenous vegetation, some of which formed part of a structured landscape developed when the hospital was established. The site has a substantial tree population of formal and informal plantings of native and exotic species around existing buildings and associated infrastructure, with isolated River Red Gums scattered to the south.

2.0 Vegetation protection objective to be achieved
- To provide for the long-term preservation of significant vegetation on the Lancaster Gate site.
- To minimise the adverse effects of development and works on the condition and health of significant vegetation.
- To conserve and restore the landscape quality of protected exotic and indigenous vegetation.
- To preserve the environmental and cultural significance of the protected vegetation.

3.0 Permit requirement
A permit is required to remove, relocate, destroy or lop any tree or shrub identified on the “Tree Protection Plan – Stages 1 and 2 – 1 September 2003” and “Tree Protection Layout Plan – Stages 3 and 4 – 1 September 2003”.

Written consent from the responsible authority is required to remove or relocate any Tree Protection Zone fencing or any other protective barrier established to define the Tree Protection Zone.

Written consent from the responsible authority is required for any buildings or works in a Tree Protection Zone as specified on the Tree Protection Plans.

4.0 Decision guidelines
- The responsible authority will consider the recommendations of the “Larundel Landscape Masterplan - February 2001” prepared by Collie Landscape and Design Pty Ltd”, “Stage 1 and 2 Tree Re-Assessment Lancaster Gate, Bundoora” prepared by Collie Landscape and Design Pty Ltd and PSY Pty Ltd Issue 2 – 10 April 2003” and “Stage 3 and 4 Tree Re-Assessment Lancaster Gate, Bundoora” prepared by Collie Landscape and Design Pty Ltd and PSY Pty Ltd Issue 2 – 29 April 2003, when considering an application for the removal, destruction or lopping of vegetation.

- The responsible authority, when considering an application for the removal, destruction or lopping of vegetation, will consider the impact of the proposal on the environmental and cultural landscape of the site.

- The responsible authority, when considering a request for the relocation of any tree or shrub, will consider the impact of the proposal on the tree or shrub, the proposed method of relocation and the suitability of the proposed transplant site.

- The responsible authority, when considering a request for buildings or works in a Tree Protection Zone, or any variation to a Tree Protection Zone, must consider the method of construction of the proposed buildings or works and the impact of the proposal on the tree or shrub.

- The responsible authority may require the applicant to provide an arborist report detailing the proposal, the methods of construction of buildings or works and an assessment of the likely impact on the tree or shrub.