

## 4.2 Art Acquisition & Management Policy

### Objectives

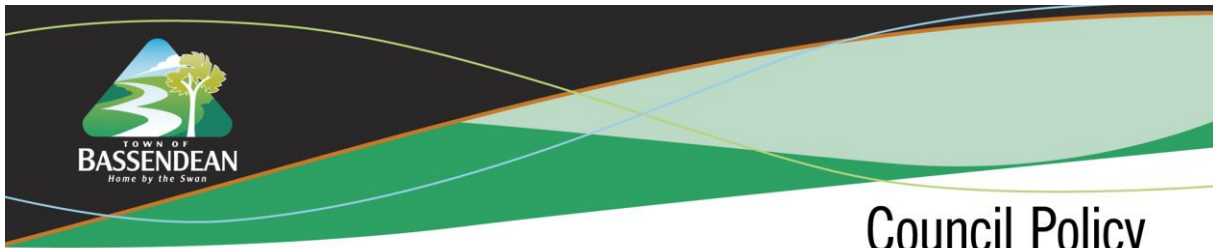
1. To acquire a collection of artworks by acquisition, purchase, donation or bequest.
2. To continually develop the collection to reflect the spirit, environment and development of the Town of Bassendean, as well as the nature of contemporary art in Western Australia.
3. To continually develop the collection to be an enjoyable, educative and valuable asset for the Town of Bassendean's residents.
4. To monitor and maintain the collection to ensure accessibility to the public and conservation of all artworks contained therein.

### Strategies

To achieve these objectives Council will always seek professional advice and consider the existing contents of the collection when acquiring artworks.

1. Ensure any donations or bequests fit within the guidelines of the collection policy.
2. Consider acquiring suitable artworks by local artists and leading Western Australian artists within budget restrictions;
3. Ensure that acquisitions are not restricted to the Open prize winner or entries from the annual Art Award;
4. Consider a 'priority list' of artists when purchasing. This list should be developed and regularly updated to include emerging artists, to aid the acquisition process;
5. Seek recommendations from the Art Awards judges on suitable works for acquisition to the collection; and
6. Ensure that the collection is revalued every five years.

Ensuring the collection is housed in venues owned or managed by the Town of Bassendean, giving priority to public areas over private offices.



## Application

While responsibility for the implementation of this policy rests primarily with the Town's Community Development Business Unit who manage and curate the Town's all Councillors, Staff and Volunteers of the Town of Bassendean. This policy is to be reviewed every 3 years.

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