# **Parks and Reserves**



**Mowing - Service Level Fact Sheet** 

# **Grass Cutting in Parks and Reserves**

Fraser Coast Regional Council maintains over 2,000 hectares of grass across our region, including grass cutting in more than 1000 parks, reserves, and roadsides.

# **Mowing Program Scheduling**

Adhering to scheduled maintenance is more time and cost effective for the rate payer.

The council programs its grass-cutting schedule on a seasonal basis.

The frequency of service increases in summer when grass grows faster, however, this can be disrupted by significant rainfall or periods of extended dry weather.

In these events, services are rescheduled as soon as it is safe and practical to do so. The area has not been

forgotten or missed and our team are on their way.

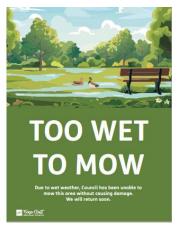
Sometimes it looks like the job may be half done as not all our ride on mowers



have catchers. The grass clippings (which looks like clumping) will break down naturally after a couple of mows.

While we welcome the rain over the summer period, it's sunny days and dry ground that make for perfect mowing conditions.

If you notice a greenspace in your local area that is overgrown, chances are it's due to recent or current weather conditions and the ground needs to dry further before it can be cut. The heavy mowers Council use can weigh up to eight tonnes. If the mowing teams commence too early and we mow when it is too wet, they can become bogged causing costly and time-consuming damage, such as wheel ruts.



You could see our "Too Wet To Mow" signage in our mowing areas.

The peak growing season for our region is usually November to May.

# When You See Fauna on Council Land

If you are concerned about the sighting of critters such as snakes, rats and mice, or other wildlife please utilise the information provided below:

### **Rats and Mice**

 <u>https://www.frasercoast.qld.gov.au/downloads/file</u> /2964/rats-and-mice

#### Kangaroos

 DESI -<u>https://www.desi.qld.gov.au/contactus/wildlife</u>

#### Snakes

 Removal of snakes, possums, brush turkeys or other problem wildlife. Please contact a licensed removal specialist—please check your local telephone listings or the internet.

Please be assured, Council have mowing maintenance on a schedule. The area has not been forgotten or missed and the team are on their way.

