

# IS YOUR CAR AN ABANDONED OR HAZARDOUS VEHICLE?

An abandoned vehicle includes an unregistered vehicle parked on a local government controlled area or road, or a hazardous vehicle (currently registered or unregistered) that has been left on a road in a way that creates a risk.

Ipswich City Council aims to provide the community a service by keeping road reserves, footpaths, council land and parks free of abandoned and hazardous vehicles.



## **ABANDONED VEHICLE IN MY STREET**

If it has been established that a vehicle is abandoned or hazardous, Ipswich City Council will take steps to remove the vehicle from the road by towing of the vehicle. Prior to towing, Council will attempt to contact the owner as well as placing a notice on the vehicle's windscreen instructing that the vehicle must be removed. If the vehicle is not moved as instructed, Council will tow the vehicle to a safe storage area.

Council will remove the vehicle immediately or as soon as practical, if the vehicle is deemed to be hazardous or we believe it is necessary for the safety of people using the road/footpath.

## **I THINK THERE IS AN ABANDONED VEHICLE IN MY STREET. WHAT SHOULD I DO?**

You will need to supply basic details of the vehicle and its location and why you believe it is abandoned. Council will then investigate further and take the necessary action.

## **WHAT HAPPENS TO AN ABANDONED VEHICLE?**

Once an abandoned vehicle has been towed it is placed in a safe storage facility and Council will again attempt to contact the owner and/or any agency with a registered interest in the vehicle.

Vehicles which have not been reclaimed will be disposed of periodically via an auction that will be advertised.

## **MY CAR HAS BEEN TOWED. WHAT SHOULD I DO?**

If you believe your car has been removed by Ipswich City Council you should immediately contact Council on (07) 3810 6666.

Release and storage fees do apply to towed vehicles (and storage fees may increase on a daily basis).