

Further queries

We appreciate you continuing to mow your berm. If you have any further queries, please contact us:

aucklandcouncil.govt.nz/contactus

or on 09 301 0101.



Caring for your property's berm



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Berm care

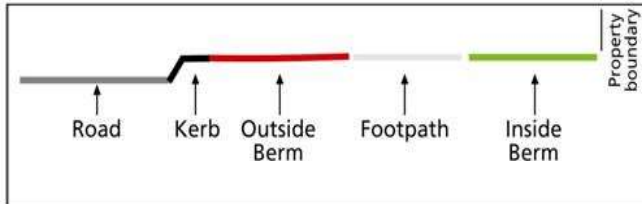
Caring for your berm is important for public safety and access and adds to the street appeal of your property and neighbourhood.

The berm is the grass area between your home or business's boundary and the street; it can include both sides of the footpath.

It is important that berms are mown regularly as unmown berms may create a fire hazard, conceal safety hazards and vermin, and contribute to the spread of weeds.

Who looks after the berm?

Auckland Council requests that property owners take responsibility for mowing the berms outside their property as part of their general land maintenance. This includes the outside berm and inside berm.



Why doesn't Auckland Council mow berms?

To avoid the rates increases which would be required to cover the cost of this service, Auckland Council relies on the goodwill of homeowners to mow their berm.

Can I get help with mowing my berm?

If you are unable to mow the berm yourself, or don't have the equipment available we suggest you first try:

- asking friends and family for assistance
- approaching any adjacent neighbours who may be mowing the berm next to yours
- contacting your local mowing contractor to provide this service
- asking your local community group or community social media page
- using any support services available to you if you are physically unable.

If mowing the berm yourself may cause a safety risk, contact us on 09 301 0101.

Can I plant on my berm?

Planting on berms is not encouraged because it may:

- reduce sight lines or become a tripping hazard
- require ongoing maintenance that may not be continued should you leave the property
- cause inconsistency in the appearance of berms
- disrupt utilities, such as root intrusion causing problems with underground connections.

You may however plant on your property boundary where it meets an inside berm.

