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TREE VANDALISM

As spring time approached, Narrandera Shire Council began the annual tree planting season, with a range of tree varieties being planted throughout the Shire.

However, it is unfortunate that someone has taken to vandalising the Dwarf Yellow Bloodwood trees planted during 2016, along the Showground at Elizabeth Street. Council maintains and plants trees on behalf of the community as they are important assets. Narrandera Shire is renowned for its trees and is commonly referred to as the 'Town of Trees'.

Mayor Cr Neville Kschenka said of the matter, "It is disappointing to see this kind of vandalism, particularly when Council has just begun our annual tree planting program. This damage will come at a cost to rate payers and I would urge anyone who has any information to please report it to the police."

While pruning works will be carried out to try and salvage the trees, most will need replacing which will now be included in the 2019 tree planting program.

Trees provide significant economic, social and ecological benefits and hold equal importance as the water supply, roads and footpaths. It is vital that as a community we work together to ensure that all Narrandera Shire trees are valued and protected.



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